

THE Administrator (the Hon. F. Fleming) has vetoed the idea of introducing Masonic rites at the ceremony of laying the Reclamation memorial stone, as he is a Roman Catholic.

THE public don't seem to be very intensely absorbed in the game of "above the penny" as played in Korea. Last night (19th inst.) Mr. Chesney Duncan was to have favored the Literary Society at the City Hall with a discourse thereon, as he is peculiarly fitted to do, but only a few members turned up, and the lecture was postponed.

THE Austrian corvette *Aurora* arrived at Colombo recently. She is commanded by Captain Count Rudolph Montecucoli, Chamberlain to H.I.M. the Emperor of Austria, said by the *Observer* to be a widely-travelled, most intelligent, and most courteous as well as unaffected nobleman. The *Aurora* will probably visit the Straits and China.

THE increase of the Attorney-General's salary is explained by the fact that the Colonial Office has decided on a new policy in regard to its law officers abroad. In all the important Colonies the right to private practice is to be withdrawn, and the salaries increased, while in the smaller ones the salaries were to be diminished and power given to accept private practice.

"An old pilot" and "A Sympathiser" each send \$5 more for old Mann. The poor old chap is now in a position, probably, to buy a retreat for his very few remaining years in some almshouse at home, and as he feebly tries to say, is very grateful to all you kind people who subscribed. We reserve our opinion of the host of tuff-hunters who will figure at the Ducal show, and who never sent a cash.

THE *Kiang-kuan*, the pioneer steamer of the China Merchants' Co.'s opposition on the Canton river, will probably commence running on the morning of the 24th inst. In the meantime she will run against the *Hankow*, but on what terms we are at present in ignorance. Until the China Merchants' Co. have built a wharf of their own in Hongkong—which is in contemplation—the *Kiang-kuan* will make use of the P. & O. S. N. Co.'s old wharf at West Point, now the property of the Hongkong Land Investment Company.

A CORRESPONDENT of the *Straits Times* sends word that Mr. C. H. de R. Hester, a pioneer Liverpool office partner in the Straits, is now on tour in the Malay Peninsula looking out for land likely to suit the cultivation of staple produce articles. He finds it is said, several parts of Perak to rank as high as the famous coffee districts in Ceylon, and is negotiating with the Government of that protected State for a concession of ten thousand acres, to be worked by a company with a capital of one hundred thousand pounds sterling.

OLD "Mann's" Fund—The following additional subscriptions have been sent to the Inspector at the Central Station—Inspector Swanson and Three Constables at No. 2 Station, \$4; R. A. Sergeant, Messrs. (second contribution) \$9; Anonymous, \$5; Sallie Home, \$3; subscribed by Rev. A. G. Goldsmith, Messrs. G. Mayne, A. Moir, C. Williams, S. J. Williams, McDonald, B. F. Taylor, Ikin, I. Moondan, P. A. Gutierrez, F. Carozzi, A. Crawford, Kwok Ching Chuen, H. Gillies, Chapman, Chaston, C. Cales, Captains Bradley, Humphreys, Brown, Parson, Lathrop, and 3 Friends.

UNLESS the unofficial members of the Legislative Council work in unison, their spasmodic opposition to the cut-and-dried measures of the Government is utterly innocuous. Mr. MacEwen and Mr. Ryrie meant well in their remarks this afternoon *re* the Assistant Harbour Master job—yes, we repeat it, *Mr. Alfred*, JOB—but there was no understanding, no combination, and their colourless opposition had no actual effect. But they nevertheless struck the bed-rock of truth, and we are at a loss to understand why their colleagues preserved such a solemn silence. Oh! yes, because they are built that way! But we won't discuss this subject any further just now; we are so glad to see Mr. Lister once again on the war-path that we must devote a special article to his latest tale of self-sacrifice in the days of old lang syne. Poor Cairns, we believe, has been in a mad-house for years. Affected evidently has a deal to answer for.

THE capture of a notorious robber chief named Tseng Yoo-zee is reported by the native papers. This brigand, who is also known by several aliases, has been wanted by the authorities for a long time. He was caught once in Hongkong, but through the subtle defence made by his legal advocate he managed to escape a conviction. Another time he evaded the clutches of the law through the cunning of his wife, who made herself so agreeable to his jailors that she persuaded them to drink her health in a cup of drugged wine, and when they were fairly asleep knocked the manacles off her spouse, and brought him forth in triumph from the midst of his foes. But this time we fear he is in a bad plight. He has been taken red-handed in the Shon San district of the Canton Province where his depredations have been particularly notorious. The inhabitants of the district are most jubilant over his capture, and it will take more than legal chicnery or the blandishments of his wife to set him free again.

THE Harbour Department and shipping interests generally have reason to regret the death of Mr. Arthur Wagner, Assistant Government Marine Surveyor, at the early age of 34 years. Like many another whose services have been but scantily recognised during life, Mr. Wagner died a slave to duty. Since the departure on sick leave of his immediate chief, the late Mr. John S. Brewer, about two years ago, Mr. Wagner has had the whole of the duties of the department thrown on his own shoulders; how efficiently those duties have been performed is too well known to require special reference here. If we mistake not, Arthur Wagner was born and brought up in Hongkong, and served his time at West Point under the experienced and watchful eye of the once well-known William Dunphy, and for many years was in the service of the Hoppo of Canton's revenue cruisers, notably in the *Peng-shao-lan*, in the good old days when Capt. C. H. Palmer was in command of that splendid vessel. Mr. Wagner left the Chinese Revenue Service to take up the position of Assistant Government Marine Surveyor in Hongkong, and no better man could have been selected for the berth. A thoroughly competent engineer, a most upright and conscientious servant of the Government, and of the public, and a truly honest man, he was, if anything, too good for his position. He tried to do more than his strength warranted; he toiled and slaved when he ought to have been in bed under medical attendance; and he has paid forfeit with his life. Mr. Wagner leaves a widow and two children to mourn his loss; for many months he has done double work without thanks or appreciation; and now that he has died in harness, we are anxious to see which unofficial member of the Legislative Council will be first in the field proposing substantial recognition of services that will be difficult to replace. All who had the pleasure of knowing poor Wagner will sincerely regret his untimely decease.

WHAT about this *Filipinas* law suit? Is it set down for hearing, or is it not? Are we all going to be Rip Van Winkles before this *cause célèbre* comes on for trial, or what is going to happen? *Jardine v. Jardine* was not a circumstance compared with this sensational bit of local litigation.

THE following subscriptions to the funds of the Alice Memorial Hospital are acknowledged by Mr. E. D. Maitland, the hon. treasurer:—W. C. Barlow, Esq., M.A., \$5; Bishop Burdon, \$50; G. Bateson, Esq., \$20; Miss Field, \$5; Messrs. F. Blackhead & Co., \$35; D. Curcram, Esq., \$10; Messrs. W. G. Humphreys & Co., \$35.

THE naval authorities are very reticent about the accidents to H.M.S. *Alacrity* and the torpedo-boats, and only say that some are entirely disabled. The *Alacrity's* stem is bent at right angles to a height of about a foot above water, and evidently she ran against something not very deeply submerged. The details will come out sometime, we suppose.

MR. MA KIE-CHONG, the popular managing director of the China Merchants' S. N. Company, has been in Canton for several days past making arrangements in connection with the new line between that port and Hongkong. We understand that Mr. Ma's mission has been attended with great success. He will probably return to Shanghai about the end of the present week.

FROM the Acting Postmaster-General's report for 1889, laid before the Legislative Council on the 19th inst., we learn that there was a deficit of over \$16,000 on the working of 1888. Over half a million newspapers and periodicals passed through the office, and nearly 2,500,000 parcels—letters, papers, post-cards, parcels, price-lists, etc., were dealt with. Mr. Lister, in his preface, urges that the Supreme Court and Land Offices should be taken to a Post Office. Mr. Travers, the Acting Postmaster-General, states that the sorting of the French mails en route is only delayed by the fact that the *Agents des Postes* say they have no authority to hand over the mails before arrival, and the French authorities are considering the matter. Mr. Travers says Cambodia "Camboge." Those are the principal points of interest.

It will be in the recollection of our readers, says the *Amoy Gazette* of the 12th inst., that last November we reported the arrival here of the shipwrecked crew of a junk, consisting of 16 men, who had been rescued at sea during a heavy gale, by Captain Hogg of the steamer *Fooksang*, and brought safely here. This event was brought to the notice of the Chinese Officials by Mr. Hughes, the Commissioner of Customs, and this morning at the Custom House, in the presence of the Consular body and a number of residents, Captain Hogg was presented with an honorary flag in recognition of his bravery, by the Hai Fong Tien, representing the High Officials of the province. Mr. Hughes, in a graceful speech, recalled the circumstances of Captain Hogg's heroism, and mentioned, as showing how highly the Chinese Authorities appreciated his humanity, that the Hai Fong Tien had been instructed to pay Captain Hogg the unique compliment of personally presenting the flag. The flag was then handed to Captain Hogg, who replied, thanking Mr. Hughes, the Hai Fong Tien and the other officials for their kind recognition of his efforts. Captain Hogg's health was then drunk with three cheers.

THE British steamship *Guthrie* reports that she left Sydney at 10.30 a.m. on the 16th ultimo; called at Moreton Bay on the 18th, left again same night, and after calling at Townsville, Cooktown, and several islands along the route, where shooting, fishing, and other sports were indulged in; arrived at Thursday Island at 11 a.m. on the 25th. Left again at 5 p.m.; arrived at Port Darwin at 2 p.m. on the 28th, and after discharging cargo; left again at 10 a.m. on the 2nd instant. Having received orders to proceed on the track of the Company's steamship *Memmut*, bound from Port Darwin to Sourabaya, which vessel was overdue 10 days at that port, a course was shaped which, taking winds and currents into consideration, would be likely to intercept a disabled vessel. On the 4th instant at 9 a.m. smoke was observed to the south-west of Rotto Island. Steered towards it and found it to be the steamship *Memmut* with her tail-shaft broken and sailing back with monsoon towards Port Darwin. She had broken down on the 18th, in smooth water, having previously weathered a hurricane on the Australian coast, damaging several boats so as to make them almost useless. When 80 miles from Koepang the third officer was sent in a boat for assistance, which, however, did not come when the *Guthrie* arrived. She was greeted with ringing cheers, although, as some of the passengers said afterwards, "they felt a lump in their throats." Took her in tow and proceeded to Banjapwange, arriving there at 4 p.m. on the 7th. Next day proceeded under orders with the *Memmut* in tow to Sourabaya, arriving there at daylight on the 10th; after having been detained at the Bar for 10 hours, waiting tide. After receiving Hongkong passengers and cargo left that port at 9 p.m. on the 11th; passed through the Straits at 8 a.m. on the 14th; passed Great Natuna Island next day at 6 p.m. A strong monsoon was then experienced with heavy head sea to 15.02 north lat., when wind turned into a pleasant north-east wind and smooth sea, which lasted to 5 p.m. on the 20th, when a dense fog set in at 11 p.m. anchored off Samour Group; at daylight next morning got under way, and arrived here on the 31st inst. at 9 a.m. Had fine weather and moderate light winds to Port Darwin, and calm with fine weather and occasional rain squalls to north-east monsoon.

MEETING OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held on the 19th inst. There were present—His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government (Mr. F. Fleming); the Acting Colonial Secretary (Mr. W. M. Doane); Mr. S. Brown, Surveyor-General; Mr. A. Lister (Acting Colonial Treasurer); Mr. W. M. Goodman, Attorney-General; Mr. N. G. Mitchell-Innes, Acting Registrar-General; Messrs. P. Ryrie, C. Chanter, J. J. Keswick, A. P. MacEwen, Ho Kai, (unofficial members) and Mr. A. Seth, Clerk of Councils.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

THE following votes, recommended by H.E. the Administrator, were referred to the Finance Committee.

\$8,500, to complete the sum of \$28,500 for an epidemic hospital bulk, the remainder having

been voted as extraordinary expenditure for 1890.

\$34,000 for the purchase of Inland Lot 998, with the premises thereon, for a Police Station, in lieu of No. 8 Police Station at Tai-ping-shan.

His Excellency explained that the Governor had approved of the purchase, before leaving, but had desired that the cost should be borne by next year's estimates. He (the speaker) preferred, letting the Council know of it now, however.

\$720, additional salary to the Assistant Harbour Master, raising it from \$1,920 to \$2,640, in consideration of his not receiving any fees for examining candidates for masters' or mates' certificates, or fees for collecting light dues.

His Excellency added that the increase was really only a few dollars, as at present the Assistant Harbour Master received \$480 for collecting light dues, and his fees for holding mercantile marine examinations during the last three years had averaged \$238. Those fees would now go into the Treasury.

THE POSTMASTER GENERAL'S REPORT.

The Acting Colonial Secretary on the table the Acting Postmaster-General's report for 1889, (referred to in another column).

THE NEW ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Mr. W. M. Goodman, the new Attorney-General, arrived at this stage, and was sworn in. His Excellency welcomed him, and expressed the indebtedness of the Council to Mr. A. J. Lister, the late Acting Attorney-General, for the assistance he had rendered, particularly with respect to legal matters.

THE VACCINATION LAWS.

The Acting Colonial Secretary moved the first reading of the Vaccination Ordinance, 1890. He said that an Ordinance on the subject already existed, but the Sanitary Board had reported that one or two provisions were unsatisfactory, on account of the climate—hence the amended Bill.

The first reading was passed.

THE PUBLIC HEALTH ORDINANCE.

The Acting Colonial Secretary moved the third reading of a Bill amending the above Ordinance. It had been postponed from last meeting to see if it affected the jurisdiction of the Sanitary Board over cemeteries, and he found it did not.

Dr. Ho Kai, who had been under the impression that it would, agreed, but raised another technical point, which necessitated the matter being further adjourned, pending the examination of the draft by the Attorney General.

NEXT WEEK'S BUSINESS.

His Excellency intimated that at the next meeting he should refer to one or two subjects. He intended asking the Council to vote the increased military contribution referred to in the Secretary of State's despatch, laid on the table at the last meeting. It might be that another meeting, after next Wednesday's, could not be held this month, and it was desirable that the matter should be settled this quarter, unless any member thought it premature. He also intended to call their attention to the present Standing Orders. They were passed in 1884, in consequence, presumably, of certain Royal instructions then received. But other Royal instructions, republishing those, had been received in 1886 and 1888, and they therefore practically had no force. He would therefore, at the next meeting, move that a Select Committee be appointed to revise and modify them.

The Council then adjourned.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Finance Committee was afterwards held, the Acting Colonial Secretary presiding.

THE EPIDEMIC HOSPITAL.

The Chairman said the first vote he had to propose was an increase of \$8,500 to complete the cost of the epidemic hospital bulk. The Estimates for this year provided \$50,000, the contract sent in by the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., with the improvements found to be necessary, amounted to \$53,500, leaving an excess of \$3,500 beyond the amount already voted. He therefore had to ask the Committee to vote this surplus sum of \$8,500.

Mr. MacEwen asked if the contract was put up to tender.

The Chairman replied in the affirmative.

Mr. Chanter asked when the bulk was expected to be finished.

The Chairman—In October.

The vote was passed.

WELL DONE UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS.

The Chairman—The next vote is a sum of \$700 as addition to the Assistant Harbour Master's salary. The sum of \$1,000 is provided for his pay in the Estimates for this year, and there is also a further sum of \$480 as pay for the collector of light dues, and a sum of \$240 to \$250 a year has been received as fees for the examination of masters and mates in the mercantile marine. Under instructions from the Right Hon. the Secretary of State the Harbour Master will perform as part of his duty as Harbour Master the collection of light dues and the examination of masters and mates, and therefore, though on vote the sum of \$720 with one hand, yet on the other hand the sum of \$480 already voted to the collector of Light Dues will lapse, and in the same way the sum of \$240 will be recovered, within a dollar or two, by the fees each year for the examination of masters and mates, which will now be paid to the Government.

Mr. MacEwen—What are the duties of the Assistant Harbour Master?

The Chairman—To assist the Harbour Master.

Mr. MacEwen—But that is no answer to my question. Has he any specific duties? Because for many years the colony has done very well without an Assistant Harbour Master at all.

The Chairman—The office of Assistant Harbour Master was first established in 1867, when the registration of junks was commenced. The hon. member will remember that up to 1867 all the junks were allowed to come into the harbour without any registration whatever. In 1867 they were brought under control, to the great improvement of the revenue and the limitation of piracy on the high seas. At the same time the Assistant Harbour Master was appointed, and there has been one ever since except for the last eighteen months.

Mr. Ryrie—And who has been doing the duties for the last eighteen months?

The Chairman—The Harbour Master, assisted by his clerk.

Mr. Ryrie—If the Colony could do without an Assistant Harbour Master for eighteen months I should think it could do without him altogether.

The Colonial Treasurer—If you can provide a Harbour Master warranted never to get sick, never to want to go away, then you might do without an assistant.

Mr. Ryrie—The Harbour Master has sometimes been away. Captain Cairns acted for him once, and there are Captain Bynne and Captain Anderson.

The Colonial Treasurer—May I tell you the history of that, Captain Cairns was appointed

Acting Harbour Master; he drew the pay and I did the work.

Mr. Ryrie—Without pay?

The Colonial Treasurer—I had my pay as Assistant Harbour Master. Captain Cairns attended to his private practice all day long, and only came to the office for half-an-hour a day, if there were police cases to be brought before him. The whole of the work was done by myself. He signed whatever was put before him I was Assistant Harbour Master for four years and I can say there is ample work.

Mr. Ryrie—That is not the general opinion.

The Colonial Treasurer—Oh! that is the opinion of people who know nothing about it—some oracle who never was near the Harbour Master's office for more than half an hour in his life.

Mr. Ryrie—There is always a little truth in statements of that kind.

The Colonial Treasurer—If you keep on repeating it people begin to think there is some truth in it, but I assure you that I have seldom been harder worked than when I was Harbour Master. It is true I was also Sheriff and Coroner.

Mr. Ryrie—If you had four offices of course you must have been hard worked.

The Colonial Treasurer—The duties of the two latter offices were performed as outside work.

Mr. Ryrie—I think we had better postpone this vote until we get the despatches on the subject and see how he came to be appointed.

The Chairman—He was appointed by the Secretary of State.

Mr. Ryrie—But I suppose it was on representations from here.

The Chairman—Yes.

Mr. Ryrie—And they took eighteen months to make the appointment.

The Chairman—Yes. A great deal of time was taken up in offering it to Mr. Hamilton, Principal Magistrate of Labuan, and after a great deal of correspondence he found himself unable to accept the post. When Mr. Hamilton was unable to accept it—and the correspondence with him went over a great number of months—then the appointment was offered to Captain Hastings, who was in Jamaica, and he has been nearly two months travelling from Jamaica here.

Mr. Ryrie—Is Captain Cairns alive still? because I think we might have a very different story from his from the one we have received from the Colonial Treasurer.

The Colonial Treasurer—He quite admitted what I have stated. We were on perfectly good terms.

Mr. Ryrie—The he was drawing his pay under false pretences.

The Colonial Treasurer—I should like to add that Captain Cairns was administering the office when I was absent for eight or ten months. When I went back I found not a single stroke of the pen had been done towards the registration of shipping.

The Chairman—I think it is rather going beyond the question, to discuss what the Harbour Master did then.

The Colonial Treasurer—N-1 what the Harbour Master did.

The Chairman—Or what he did not do.

The Colonial Treasurer—But the idea that there is no work for the Assistant Harbour Master is so false, so contrary to fact, that I may perhaps be excused for contradicting it with some warmth; and the risk of leaving the office of Harbour Master to be filled during his absence by some chance outsider would be so disastrous to the interests of the Colony that I should be very sorry to see it.

Mr. MacEwen—Then I take it the appointment is made to provide a substitute should the Harbour Master fall sick.

The Chairman—No; there are duties that fall essentially on the Assistant Harbour Master.

Mr. MacEwen—I asked you what his duties were, and you said "to assist the Harbour Master." Would you tell me what those duties really are?

The Chairman—Well, I can only refer you to the Ordinance of 1879—it is an Ordinance extending over 30 pages—in which you will see there are regulations for the clearing of boats and issuing of anchorage passes; then there is also the collection of the light dues and general control of the harbour.

Mr. MacEwen—But he does not collect the light dues?

The Chairman—Yes, as part of his present salary.

The Colonial Treasurer—That has been added on. His appointment was to assist in the registration of junks, to give the Harbour Master a responsible officer to go to the out-stations and see the registration of junks was properly performed.

Mr. MacEwen—Then we are to understand his duties are to look after junks.

The Chairman—Yes.

Mr. MacEwen—Well, I am glad he has got some duties.

Mr. Ryrie—I think nothing stronger could be advanced against the appointment than what has been said by the hon. member opposite the Colonial Treasurer. He says he did the duties for four years and officiated in three other capacities. I think nothing stronger could be brought forward.

The Colonial Treasurer—But the hon. gentleman should be reasonable. I said I was Sheriff. The duties of that office occupied about two hours a month.

Mr. Ryrie—And the salary.

The Colonial Treasurer—There was no salary. The fees average \$14 a month. I simply held the office because no one else wanted it; it did not pay and was not worth keeping. The Coroner's duties were done entirely out of office hours, so that those duties did not interfere with the duties of the Assistant Harbour Master.

Mr. Ryrie—Did it not occur to the Government it was a great injustice to make an officer work out of hours?

The Colonial Treasurer—If it suited the public and if the officer liked to do it, there was not much harm done.

Mr. Ryrie—Perhaps you might have wanted to play cricket.

Mr. MacEwen—Well, it is satisfactory that we have got to know what the duties of the officer are.

The question was then put and passed.

Mr. Ryrie—I vote for it because I hope the Government will find Captain Hastings a better post by and by, a more important post, in connection with the harbour—in connection with emigration.

The Chairman—The Harbour Master is Emigration Officer by virtue of his office; therefore the Assistant Harbour Master is Assistant Emigration Officer.

THE VOTE TO COLONEL BEAUMONT.

The Chairman said the next vote was one of \$50 to Colonel Beaumont for his report on the Bokarra Rocks. This was adjourned on the last occasion to allow hon. members to see the papers. He now moved that the amount be voted.

Mr. Ryrie said he thought the Council was bound to pass the vote whether they liked it or not. The officer had gone away with the idea he would get this.

The Chairman said that was not exactly the case, because he gave Colonel Beaumont distinctly to understand the matter would have to be brought before the Council and the vote submitted.

Mr. Ryrie asked if there was not something about payment in the Governor's minute.

The Chairman said there was no amount specifically mentioned, but Colonel Beaumont was to receive something.

THE PURCHASE OF DAXTER HOUSE.

The Chairman said the next vote was for the purchase of Baxter House as a police station, but the correspondence and information on the subject was somewhat lengthy, and it was most desirable hon. members should be placed in possession of full information on the subject. He therefore begged to move that this matter be postponed to a future meeting.

The Committee then adjourned.

HONGKONG CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

The annual meeting of the Chamber was held this afternoon (20th inst.) in the City Hall. The Hon. P. Ryrie presided, and the Hon. J. J. Keswick, Hon. A. P. MacEwen, B. Layton, L. Poesnecker, H. Hopius, R. M. Gray, W. H. Forbes, J. J. Francis, E. Mackintosh, S. E. Noble, C. J. Hirst, S. C. Michaelson, H. Dijk, G. de Champeaux, T. Whitehead, and F. Henderson (secretary).

Messrs. Hewitt and Co. were elected to the Chamber, and Mr. W. Stewart and Mr. W. P. Brewer proposed.

The Chairman, before proposing the adoption of the report, referred to various matters contained in it. The first was the foreign mail steamers question. He explained that the Ordinance would not have been passed unopposed had it not been overlooked; and expressed the opinion that only a modified concession of men-of-war's privileges should have been granted. The action of that and other Chambers had shown the Government the mistake that had been made, and the "obnoxious" Ordinance had now been repealed. With regard to the survey of the China coast, he was able to say that the home Government had decided to go on with it, one ship being now fitting-out, and a second one would shortly follow. With respect to the vexed question of the payment of special jurors, the Governor had given it his fullest consideration. A member of the Observatory Commission was present, and would probably say something on the subject of storm warnings. As to the Chinese emigration question, the complaints of steamship owners and agents had been numerous, and would continue so until a radical change in the system of emigration here was made. The Chamber had recommended the establishment of an Emigration Department, distinct from the Harbour Office; it was the only way in which the work could be satisfactorily carried on. Without saying that the Harbour Master Department was really a thing of the past, he said sufficient attention to detail, and seen that ships were not hampered. An official to look specially after emigration was much needed. The Sunday Observance question, they would see, had been taken up by the Secretary of State, but, powerful as he was, he would have to adopt very drastic measures to make it general here. With reference to the smuggling on the Canton steamers no progress had been made in getting the abuses remedied. An Ordinance had been proposed for months to meet the objections to the mode of carrying out the present Opium Ordinance, in searching vessels and respectable persons. He did not know the cause of the delay, except that the late Acting Attorney-General had told him it was unavoidable. The question of postage rates had occupied the Chamber's attention, and really it was absurd that the charges for postage by the English mail should be double that by the French and German steamers. They had every hope of eventually getting the matter equalised. After referring to the prospective usefulness of the new China Association, and briefly referred to the Gap Rock, he said that the proposition to license brokers seemed to be generally accepted as desirable. The only question was whether the Government should frame rules and regulations of what the brokers themselves should do. Since the publication of the report of the Chamber, he was informed, the brokers had been active in the matter, and proposed to wait on the Government to decide on the best course. It would probably be more advisable that they should themselves frame laws, being better qualified to deal with questions of nationality, etc. As regarded the alleged contemplated convention between the Telegraph Companies and the Chinese Government, notwithstanding rumours he believed that it had not been ratified, and it was to be hoped that before it was the present high tariff would be reduced. He then proposed the adoption of the report.

Mr. Poesnecker seconded, and it was agreed to.

Mr. MacEwen said, with regard to the Observatory Commission, that they had now completed their labors, and would shortly issue their report. Without anticipating the recommendations therein contained he might say that he believed in the future they would see a very vast improvement in the working of that valuable department ("Hear hear").

The following Committee were then appointed:—Hon. P. Ryrie, E. Mackintosh, Esq., W. H. Forbes, Esq., R. M. Gray, Esq., H. Hopius, Esq., Hon. J. J. Keswick, S. C. Michaelson, Esq., G. E. Noble, Esq., Hon. A. P. MacEwen.

The election of a Chairman and Vice-Chairman was made by ballot, at Mr. MacEwen's suggestion. Mr. Mackintosh was elected to the chair and Mr. MacEwen to the vice-chair.

Mr. MacEwen, in returning thanks, said that he hoped to merit their confidence.

Mr. MacEwen proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Ryrie for the interest he had shown in the Chamber during the many years he had been connected with it. Probably he would be glad to have a little rest. He congratulated them on their choice of a successor.

The proceedings then terminated.

H. G. BROWN AND COMPANY, LIMITED.

The following is the report for presentation to the shareholders at the first annual general meeting to be held at the Hongkong Hotel, at noon, on Monday, 31st March, 1890:—

The General Managers beg to submit their Report on the working of the Company's business with a Statement of Accounts for the Year 1889. After paying all charges, preliminary expenses, and interest, there remains a net profit of \$33,775.60, which the General Managers and Consulting Committee recommend should be appropriated as follows:—

To a Dividend of \$3.50 per share or 7 per cent. per annum	\$21,000.00
To Remuneration to Consulting Committee & General Managers as per Articles of Association	3,377.50
To Depreciation of Vessels & Property	8,000.00
To Carry forward to next Account	1,398.10

A. G. GORDON AND COMPANY, LIMITED.

The first annual meeting of the shareholders of the above Company was held at the offices, on the 22nd inst. Mr. Gordon presided, and Messrs. A. Duer, L. Downes, A. McClintock, W. S. Taylor, and Sung On.

The Chairman said that he had very little to add to the report, but he must say that the results had not been so satisfactory as he had anticipated. But, as he had explained in the report, that was chiefly owing to the rise in the value of material at home. It was impossible to foretell, but he might say that the prospects for this year were good, and he trusted to be able to lay a better report before them at the next meeting. He proposed the adoption of the report.

Mr. Downes seconded, and it was agreed to. Mr. McClintock moved, and Mr. Taylor seconded, the re-election of Messrs. McIntosh and Holmes as directors, and it was agreed to. Mr. Duer proposed, and Sung On seconded, the re-election of Messrs. Gordon and Downes as auditors.

That having been assented to, the proceedings terminated.

The following is the report:—

I have now to submit to shareholders the annexed annual statement of accounts of the Company, to 31st December, 1889, showing a profit of \$6,230.25 from which has to be deducted the interim dividend of 5 per cent declared in August last amounting to \$2,183.33 leaving a balance of \$4,046.92 at credit of Working Account. It is proposed to appropriate this amount as follows:—

\$1,138.30 in payment of Preliminary Expenses \$300.00 for remuneration to Consulting Committee leaving \$2,608.62 to be carried forward to new account.

It will be observed that all the shares in the Company, have not been taken up although at the time the Company was floated they were all applied for, some of the applications have been cancelled altogether, as it was found impossible to collect anything from the applicants, but the remainder of the calls will be collected later on with interest from their due date.

The total profit is rather less than in former years, owing to the late rise in value of iron and other material which diminished the returns from contracts then pending and taking this into consideration the result of the year's work may be considered fairly satisfactory.

CONSULTING COMMITTEE.

Mr. J. W. Noble having retired, Mr. W. F. McIntosh was invited to fill his place, on the Board. In accordance with the Articles of Association, the present members retire but offer themselves for re-election.

AUDITORS.

The accounts have been audited by Messrs. L. Downes and A. O'D. Gourdin who offer themselves for re-election.

A. G. GORDON,
General Manager.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 31ST DECEMBER, 1889.

Assets.	
Land and Buildings at Bowington including the adjoining property at present occupied by the Steam Saw Mills.....	\$ 87,019.62
Goodwill.....	5,000.00
Stock, &c.....	1,833.68
Furniture.....	16,694.48
Fixed Machinery & Plant.....	19,310.05
Stock in Trade.....	4,015.02
Unfinished work.....	41,851.23
Preliminary Expenses.....	1,138.30
Sundry Debtors.....	18,463.88
Cash on hand.....	545.97
	\$154,519.00

Liabilities.	
Capital Account:—	
2,500 Shares at \$10 on applications.....	\$ 25,000.00
1,980 Shares at \$10 on allotment.....	19,800.00
1,000 Shares fully paid up.....	25,000.00
	\$ 70,000.00
Mortgage on Land and Buildings Due to Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.....	5,005.79
Unclaimed Dividends.....	655.00
Less Interest due on unpaid calls.....	472.50
	182.50
Sundry Creditors.....	15,999.79
Balance.....	3,020.91
	\$154,519.00

WORKING ACCOUNT.

Dr.	
Wages and Materials.....	\$57,766.53
Salaries and Office Expenses.....	8,752.00
Rent and Taxes.....	2,542.87
Charges.....	1,209.42
Insurance.....	252.90
Auditors' fees.....	150.00
	\$70,673.72
Interim Dividend @ 5 per cent.....	3,218.33
Balance.....	3,020.91
	\$76,912.97

Cr.	
Gross Earnings.....	\$75,050.29
Interest.....	1,853.68
Transfer Fees.....	9.00
	\$76,912.97

E. & O. E.

A. G. GORDON,
General Manager.

We have compared the accounts with the books and vouchers at the Company's office and found them correct.

L. DOWNES,
A. O'D. GOURDIN,
Auditors.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1890.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

An extraordinary meeting of the shareholders of the above Company was held this afternoon (24th inst.), for the purpose of confirming the following resolutions:—

That at the end of Article No. 11 of the Company's existing Articles of Association, there be added the following words, with the following marginal note, that is to say, "No Shareholder, whether an individual, Firm, Company, or Corporation, shall be entitled to hold at any one time more than One Thousand Shares."

That Article No. 49 of the Company's existing Articles of Association, with its marginal note be cancelled, and that in lieu thereof the following Article and marginal note be inserted, that is to say,

[49]—Every Shareholder (if duly registered for one month previous to the Meeting at which he claims to vote but not otherwise) shall have one vote for each share up to ten and one vote for every complete additional number of ten shares.

That immediately after the Company's next Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting, Article No. 91 of the Company's existing Articles of Association be cancelled, and that in lieu thereof the following be inserted:—

"No Person shall be eligible to the Office of Director unless he be the holder of at least fifty shares."

Mr. W. H. Forbes presided, and Messrs. L. Poesnecker, B. Layton, S. C. Michaelson, H. Hoppus, E. L. Woodin, and F. Dodwell (directors) D. Gillies (manager), F. Henderson, H. Crawford, H. Humphreys, H. Ansell, and H. E. Clements, were present.

The Chairman moved the resolutions *serialim*, Messrs. Henderson, Crawford, and Humphreys seconded. They were unanimously agreed to and the proceedings terminated.

HONGKONG MASONIC CLUB, LIMITED.

The following report will be submitted to the shareholders of the above Club at the third general meeting to be held at the Masonic Club next month:—

The Directors have now the pleasure to submit their third Annual Report and a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December 1889. After making provision for bad and doubtful debts, there remains a small balance of \$36.82 to the credit of Profit and Loss on the year's working, reducing the debit of this Account from \$1,027.57 to \$990.75. This is the first occasion since the formation of the Club that a credit balance has been shown.

DIRECTORS.

In accordance with No. 74 of the Articles of Association, the Hon. C. P. Chater and Mr. Chas. Grant retire, but are eligible for re-election.

AUDITORS.

The accounts have been audited by Messrs. H. Harms and J. Madchase, and the Club, in the opinion of the Directors, is greatly indebted to these gentlemen for their gratuitous services.

BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1889.

Liabilities.	
Local Liabilities (Unpaid Bills).....	\$2,533.56
Capital Account.....	7,320.00
	\$9,853.56
Assets.	
Outstandings.....	\$1,127.95
Furniture.....	5,064.13
Bar Stock.....	313.63
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank.....	354.15
Cash (in hand).....	2.95
	357.10
Profit and Loss.....	3,027.57
Less Balance 1889.....	36.82
	2,990.75
	\$9,853.56

PROFIT AND LOSS.

Dr.	
To Bad and Doubtful Debts.....	\$265.55
" Charges.....	7,048.67
" Local Liabilities.....	2.08
" Balance.....	36.82
	\$7,316.30
Cr.	
By Bar.....	\$1,640.48
" Bills.....	1,314.00
" Cards.....	10.00
" Subscriptions.....	177.70
" Interest.....	3,425.50
" Transfer Fees.....	9.62
" Outstandings.....	8.00
	117.62
	\$7,353.12

W. F. HATHERLY,
Secretary.

Examined and found correct,
J. MACLEHOSE, } Auditors.
H. HARMS, }
Hongkong, 12th March, 1890.

THE EMBEZZLEMENT CASE.

MORE DISCLOSURES.

At the Police Court this morning (24th inst.), before Mr. Wodehouse, John Gray was charged on remand with the embezzlement of \$29,000 belonging to the New Oriental Banking Corporation. Mr. Wotton prosecuted, and Mr. Pollock, (instructed by Mr. Wilkinson) defended.

Mr. Wotton reminded his Worship that on the last occasion but one he had indicated that it was very likely he would have to make a further charge against the prisoner. He was now prepared to do so, and he would ask that the following be added to the charge. "That the said John Gray did wilfully make false entries, in words and figures, in the bill register of the said Bank, namely, by entering a bill on Hip On, for \$10,000, due on the 30th September, 1889, as due and paid on the 1st October, and a bill on Kwang Chung Tai and Co., for \$900, in the same way, and did wilfully make a false entry in the cash-book by entering \$17,000, being part of a sum of \$21,000, as paid on the 1st February 1890, whereas in fact was paid in the 31st January 1890. That charge was made under Ordinance 6 of 1865, section 6. He proposed to produce evidence to bear out the charge, and then leave the defence to state their position.

Mr. Herbert was then recalled, and said:—I have examined the bill register. It was kept by the prisoner. It contains an entry of a bill on Hip On, originally entered as being due on the 30th September, but since altered to October 1st. It is also entered in the paid register as paid on the latter date. The alteration falsified the entry. There is also an entry of a bill on Kwang Chung Tai, for \$900, similarly altered. The effect of these entries was that he had those amounts in his hand on the 30th September, and was so able to make his cash balance appear correct. His cash balance was \$26,896, whereas it should have been \$37,796. I inspected the books on that date, and found that his cash and his accounts tallied. If these entries had not been made there would have been a deficit of \$11,000. The draft for the \$900 (produced) is endorsed by the prisoner. The draft on Jafferbhoy Chetty (produced) for \$17,000, due on the 31st January last, was paid on due date by a cheque on the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, which was cashed the same day. It was endorsed by the prisoner. I remember seeing him on the 19th January, about 10.30, and on returning said that the landlady of his safe key was broken, and he could not get into the cash box at once. He then went out retaining about a quarter of an hour afterwards I was asked for the balance and he produced it. I saw the key, the handle of which had the appearance of having been soldered. I counted all the cash before me, and said "There's something more." Prisoner then handed me a cheque, saying "I forget for what amount, but I remember that they made the cash balance." I said "Where did you get these?" As the notes did not seem to have been taken out of the cash-box, I said "You have no right to keep cash anywhere except in the locked up every night." On the 24th inst. I had occasion to make inquiries at the Chartered Bank, with whom we have an account. The prisoner had no right to draw cheques on that account. I did not authorise him to go there on the 16th January and draw a cheque for \$25,000, nor did I know, on that date, that he had done so. It is not a fact that I knew of his being drawn, and objected to appearing in the account between the banks. I have not found any record of the transaction in the books. I produced a voucher for \$21,000 dated the 1st February, and filled in by the prisoner. It purports to show that a cheque for \$17,000, and another of \$4,000, had been paid in on that day. The \$17,000 should have gone through the cash-book on the 31st January. The balance on the 5th February was all right, but I discovered a deficit of \$9,000 on the 6th, for which prisoner could not satisfactorily account.

Mr. Pollock asked permission to postpone the cross-examination, which was acceded to.

Mr. D. W. Gilmore, sub-accountant and cashier of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China, said:—I know the prisoner. On the 16th January, about 10.20, he came to our Bank and said "Can you let me have \$25,000 against my cheque on the Oriental Bank?" He said that he had been to the Peak the night before, and had forgotten his keys, and Mr. Herbert was not in the office. I consulted Mr. Anderson, the acting manager, and then said "Certainly, bring along your cheque." He said "Can you let me have a blank cheque, as there are some customers waiting for the money?" I went to the counter, got a cheque, and he filled it up. The cheque was cashed at once, the money being paid, at his request, by our cashier to his cashier. He said "I will replace it during the day," and about an hour later he came and told me that he had brought back the money, asking to have his cheque returned, as Mr. Herbert was annoyed at his having borrowed the money from us. I said "Don't bother; write it on a paying-in slip and make it a cross-entry." He replied that Mr. Herbert did not wish it to appear in the account. I asked Mr. Anderson if the cheque could be returned, and, finding it had not been entered, he gave permission. I accordingly handed it back to the prisoner. He did not keep the money more than an hour. This was the first cheque he had drawn on us on his Bank's account, and I only honored it because I believed his statement.

Leung Su, shroff at the Chartered Bank, proved the payment of the amount, and its repayment.

R. Tatnold, manager of the firm of J. L. Chait and Co., said that he paid the draft for \$17,000 (produced) on the 31st January.

Kwan Yip, assistant in a native bank, proved the payment of a draft for \$10,000 to the Oriental Bank on the 30th September.

Mr. Wotton:—That is the case for the prosecution. On that evidence I would ask you to commit the case for trial. I understand that Mr. Pollock intends reserving his defence until it comes on at the Sessions. I would also ask that the bail be not reduced.

Mr. Pollock:—I reserve my defence, unless your Worship proposes to deal with the case summarily.

His Worship:—I commit it for trial; bail as before.

NAVAL MANOEUVRES.

We have to report that on Monday and Tuesday the Fleet went round to Tytan Bay, to practice gunnery and evolutions. The fleet all returned. Casualties:—H.M.S. *Albatross* struck a sunken rock, and seriously damaged her stern, necessitating her going into dock. Torpedo boat No. 38 bent her propeller shaft, and had to be towed in. *Ditto* No. 8 was injured in collision. H.M.S. *Impetuous*, whilst coming to her moorings (stevening (astern)), carried away the jibboom of the *Leipzig*, and had several of her boats smashed as they hung in the davits. Likewise one British tar lost a finger. A request has been sent to the Admiral to bench the Squadron, so as to prevent their being sunk by any sampans.

SHANGHAI PAPER HUNT CLUB RACE MEETING.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH MARCH, 1890.

The weather during the first part of the afternoon was threatening and it is not to be wondered at that there was not a large attendance at the Grand Stand. The Stewards fortunately got the events through without any unnecessary delay, and the incident of the Club Cup. The Band was in attendance and played several selections during the afternoon, while refreshments were supplied for all who required them. Appendix A details:—

ONE MILE RACE, Sweepstakes of \$100 each. Catch weights over 12st. Winners of any official flat race 7lb. extra.

Mr. Gebhardt's Goldfuchs, Mr. Ruff
Mr. Franklin's Monte Christo, Mr. F. Dallas
Mr. O. Middleton's Veteran, Mr. G. Dallas
Mr. Crawford's Venture, Owner
Mr. Arbuthnot's Dunottar, Mr. Perrott
Mr. Hough's Ouse Byrd, Owner
Mr. Callaway's Clodhopper, Owner
Mr. S. Walker's Calanda, Mr. Read
+ Dead heat.

Eight ponies started in this race and got away well together, but Dunottar soon forged ahead and led by a couple of lengths, with Ouse Byrd second. At the three-quarter mile, Monte Christo came along very well and led, but at the Monument Goldfuchs passed them all, with Monte Christo second and Veteran third. Goldfuchs maintained his lead to the end, and a fine race between Monte Christo and Veteran ended in a dead heat for second place. Venture was fourth. Time, 2min. 15sec.

THE CLUB CUP.—Value \$50, added to half of the entrance fees of \$300 each; the other half of the entrance fees to go to the second. Catch weights over 12st. Winners of the Grand National 14lb. extra.

Mr. Fournell's Matador, 12st. Mr. Ruff
Mr. Schuffenhauer's Blackadder, 11st. Mr. Callaway
Mr. A. C. Ram-say's Othello, 11st. Mr. Ramsay
Mr. Hough's Hornet, 11st. Mr. Read
Mr. Brown's Piculet, 11st. Mr. Hegnauer
Mr. Tulloch's Enchanter, 11st. Mr. Reedy
+ Dead heat.

In this race, six ponies faced the starter. Othello was first over the water jump in front of the Grand Stand, closely followed by Matador, Enchanter and Blackadder. At the hurdles, Othello had fallen back to second place, having been passed by Matador. After passing the Longfellow jump Enchanter fell, but his rider was not hurt. The others kept on but failed out considerably, leaving Matador ahead, with Precursor second and Blackadder third, which order the ponies passed the Stand. On the second time round Precursor struck the hurdle and fell, leaving his rider heavily and then rolling over him. Mr. Hegnauer was stunned and had to be carried off the ground. At the Monument Matador was still ahead with Blackadder second and Othello third, this order being maintained to the finish.

HONORARY MEMBERS' CUP.—Value \$25, added to a sweepstakes of \$100 each. Catch weights over 11st. Winners of any official flat race 7lb. extra. Riders who have won any official race to carry 5lb. extra. Penalties accumulative. —Two miles and a half.

Mr. Tulloch's Vengeance, 11st. 5lb. Mr. Reynell
Mr. Crawford's Naylor, 11st. Mr. Crawford
Mr. Schuffenhauer's Vindicator, 11st. 5lb. Mr. Oule
+ Dead heat.

Mr. Perrott's Castigator, 11st. 5lb. Owner
Mr. Renny's Doris, 11st. 5lb. Owner
Mr. Geo. Dallas's Quicksilver, 11st. 7lb. Owner
Mr. Boening's Trompeter, 11st. 9lb. Mr. Read
Mr. O. Middleton's Kingcraft, 11st. 9lb. Mr. Ramsay
+ Dead heat.

Mr. Fournell's Ques, 12st. Mr. Ruff
Mr. Eilers' Blitz, 11st. 5lb. Mr. Edblad
+ Dead heat.

Ten ponies started, and Quicksilver soon took the lead, closely followed by Ques. After the second time round Precursor struck the hurdle and fell, leaving his rider heavily and then rolling over him. Mr. Hegnauer was stunned and had to be carried off the ground. At the Monument Matador was still ahead with Blackadder second and Othello third, this order being maintained to the finish.

THE CONSOLATION STEEPCHASE, value \$25, added to a sweepstakes of \$300 each. Previous winners of a hunt or steepchase prize excluded; catch weights over 11st; half entrance fees to second pony. From Widow's Monument once round and off.

Mr. Gebhardt's Goldfuchs, 12st. 5lb. Mr. Ruff
Mr. Midwood's Rainstorm, 11st. 1lb. Owner
Mr. Liddell's Bagshot, 11st. 10lb. Owner
Mr. Lucca's Dribut, 11st. 10lb. Mr. McCashly
+ Dead heat.

In this race only four ponies started, and it was soon seen that G. Idfuchs had it all his own way, for the other ponies refused the jumps, leaving Goldfuchs to come in by himself. Much amusement was caused by the futile attempts of the other riders to induce their ponies to take the jumps and hurdles. Rainstorm dropped his rider abreast of the Grand Stand but Mr. Midwood pluckily held on to the reins and remounted.

THE BELF STAKES, a handicap for heavy weight riders. Entrance \$300.

Mr. O. Middleton's Veteran, 12st. Owner
Mr. O. Middleton's Kingcraft, 12st. Mr. Tripp
Mr. Woodward's Wallaby, 12st. Owner
Mr. Schuffenhauer's Mestiza, 12st. Owner
Mr. Moore's Cruiser, 12st. Owner
+ Dead heat.

Five ponies entered and started well, but Cruiser took the lead, which however he could not maintain, and at the half mile Cruiser was last, with Mestiza first, Veteran second, Kingcraft third, and Wallaby fourth. Kingcraft made an effort and took second place in the straight, but could not overhaul Veteran, who had passed Mestiza. Wallaby was third.

BARBACKE RACE, entries (\$1.00) to close on the ground; three-quarters of a mile; surcingle allowed. Catch weights.

Enchanter Mr. Renny
Flying Dutchman Mr. G. Dallas
No Name Mr. Edblad
+ Dead heat.

Ten ponies' names were put up on the board, but they did not all run. Most of the riders appeared to be as much at home riding barback as if they had been in saddles. Although one or two were not so comfortable. No spills occurred and the race was won as above.

THE MANILA LOTTERY.

"An Eyewitness" sends the following to the *Kobe Herald*:—

The Manila Lottery has become, to a great extent, a recognised institution throughout the Far East, and is regarded by most people as a medium of honest and legitimate speculation. Fortune smiles and often will continue to smile on some, while the greater majority of speculators, in spite of the most evident perseverance on their part, fail in success. The enquiry has often been heard as to whether the drawings are conducted in a fair and square sort of way; whether any magical arrangements do not exist to bestow peculiar advantages on certain individuals most directly concerned in conducting the drawing. I have had occasion to be present at one of the monthly drawings of the great Manila lottery, and the system adopted appeared to me to be a straightforward and honest one, and I have no account of my experiences that I could not recommend to your readers, and may remove the erroneous opinion that prevails amongst many as to the unfairness of the lottery, and its drawings. The drawing takes place in a large room in one of the public offices. On the day appointed the doors are thrown open to the public. The space available for their disposal is probably not more than would accommodate 100 persons; and there might be standing room for perhaps 500 more near the doors. The great size of the space, and by far the greater portion of the room, is engaged by the mechanical arrangements employed in the drawing, near to which the Government Officials occupy a station. On entering the room, a long table is to be seen occupying the entire breadth of the room, covered with green baize, around which are seated 4 or 5 officials with pens, ink, and paper before them. The preliminaries commenced at 8 a.m., and I observed that the actual "drawing" operations were conducted by one man and two lads. First, immediately facing the door, and in front of the officials, a table was set up about 3 feet from the ground. The box is open at the top and its sides are formed of brass rods placed horizontally, so that while the contents are quite visible to any one in the room, the balls are not wide enough apart for any ball to get out. Strings and strings of balls about the size of an ordinary snooker ball, numbered clearly from 1 to 40,000 on the side of each, are then produced, and after being carefully checked by the officials, the strings are cut and the balls allowed to fall into the box. When the entire 40,000 balls are in the box, the contents are stirred vigorously half an hour by a wooden spade. On a given hour by a senior official the small door (sufficiently large to admit about half a dozen balls at a time) is opened on the left hand side of the box, near the bottom. The attendant

then pushes forward the balls through this aperture, from where they fall on to what might be described as the bottom of a spiral staircase which is completely enclosed by a cover made of brass rods in the same manner as the sides of the box were alluded to. A boy then turns a handle; the balls at the bottom travel up to the next flight, and their place is filled by others paid out by the man at the box, which in turn are propelled forwards, from flight to flight, always turning round, mingling till the summit is reached, and they fall into a trough or chute, down which they run, finally settling into a large globe, which is also made in the same manner as described, with brass rod sides and cross-pieces for strength. Fully an hour is occupied in working all the balls through this process, but when completed, the shoot is removed, and the brass lid of the globe is shut down. Keys are produced by one of the officials who leaves the table, and locks the globe of balls, sealing same carefully. Handles are then fitted into each side of the globe, and a boy each side causes the heavy mass vigorously to rotate for about 30 minutes, when it is left at rest. A short way off, and nearer the door, is a smaller globe, of a similar pattern and size, of black balls, 98 in all, so many marked \$50, as many \$100, 1 of \$50,000, 1 of \$10,000, and \$5,000, and so on, are all checked again by the official who sees them put in, the door locked and sealed, after which the boys are told off to give the globe a thorough mixing. Then the drawing commences. At the bottom of each globe is a long handle, and by an ingenious arrangement one push of this handle, (which returns to its original position by a spring), liberates one ball which drops into a small glass saucer below. The ball belonging to the "prize" globe are both worked at the same moment, so that a "number" ball, and its corresponding prize fall simultaneously. There is a boy standing at a table. Each lifts up the ball and calls out "No. 30 and so" "draws \$50, or \$100" as the case may be. The calls are repeated 3 times, and then entered by the officials on the lists before them. Each ball is handed up to two officials at the table who impale them on upright files. When the whole 98 are through, the best part of the day is spent, and we believe, before the prize list is allowed to be published, the balance of the balls left in the "number" globe are counted to see if they tally with those drawn. In fact, so carefully is everything apparently done, and the number of checks upon every movement connected with the drawing, that we very much question whether underhand practices would be possible. Our unlucky ones may therefore rest satisfied that it is their own unlucky star alone which is to blame for their misfortune. No institution could have secured a more spotless reputation than the Manila Lottery, and were there only the breath of a suspicion concerning its integrity it would have proved impossible to carry the scheme on for the number of years it has now been inaugurated.

THE TEA TRADE.

The depression in the tea trade reached the lowest depth yet known in 1889, when the losses to Chinese tea merchant amounted over £15,000,000. Such a depression inclines many to doubt if a revival is still possible. The native banks have not suffered yet to any great extent by the losses of the tea season, as the latter had not borrowed to any great extent from them, and therefore underwent these heavy losses without involving the banks. The banks, however, while congratulating themselves on having come out of it so well, are not at all satisfied with the state of making advances for the tea season. By 15th March, 1889, they had lent here about £15,000,000, and on 15th March, 1890, so far as we can learn, they have as yet advanced next to nothing. The tea season is likely to commence later than usual, partly owing to this cause and partly to the fact that many Chinese firms, warned by the number of failures last year, have ceased to do business in such an uncertain article as tea has lately proved itself.

At Hankow the principal Chinese tea firm is the old established T'ien Shen An, next to which in the magnitude of the business done come the Ch'iu Hwa Siang and the I T'ai Ch'ang. The second-mentioned has, we hear, borrowed little or nothing as yet from the native banks, the first-mentioned is said to have obtained from them advances of a considerable amount after China New Year, and the last-mentioned, the I T'ai Ch'ang, is said to have been accommodated to the extent of over £15,000,000, intending to carry on the campaign this season with still greater energy than the preceding one. A new firm, the How Tong Siang, has started. The remaining old native houses seem to be in a manner paralysed by the bad results of last year's operations.

Forty-two new Canton firms, and two new Shanxi ones have started, with perhaps others, and in the tea-growing districts of Yang-low-tung and Ch'ang-shou-kai in the hills, the agents who purchase tea from the growers had already made their arrangements for renting premises made before the Chinese New Year, and so we may expect that although the tea season may begin later, the business with those two districts will be as brisk as ever, though the tea-growing districts of Ch'ang-yang, Tungshan and Han-ning will miss some agents who went there last year.

To come to foreign houses; we hear that Yuen Fung will do nothing in tea this year. It is also rumoured that four others, Li Ki, T'ien T'ai, Hwa Ki, and King Ki will do nothing. The Russian black tea exporters were last year hampered in their operations by a dread of Indian tea being used to adulterate the Chinese leaf. Several Shanxi firms of hundreds of years' standing, who enjoy the entire confidence of the Russians, nevertheless did a good business with them.

This dislike of the Russians of Indian tea is encouraging in the face of the constant frauds which we are treated by the Europeans, past and present, of adulterating Chinese tea by Indian, which is a very bad thing to do, and which is a very bad thing to do, and which is a very bad thing to do.

We have tasted Japanese tea, another rival of Chinese, though very different in quality from Indian, which is black, while Japanese is green. The cup we sampled

THE REGIMENTAL SPORTS.

The second annual "Highland Games" of the gallant first were held during the afternoon of Friday and Saturday last at Happy Valley. The weather was all that could be desired, except perhaps by the competitors, who found it warm. Most of the results were well contested, and the judging seemed to give general satisfaction to the men with one or two exceptions. But the "hoy" MacKillop, who carried our shovels in the dancing competition, should, we think, have had first dip in the treasure. The Committee, who ably carried out their somewhat trying duties, was composed of the following officers: Major Tottenham, Capt. Davidson, Lieut. Jackson, Lieut. Williams, Lieut. Renny, with Colour Sergeant Boyd, Sergeant Henderson, Sergeant Cullen, Sergeant Phillips, and Sergeant Thompson, as a sub-committee. Appended are the results:—

100 YARDS FLAT RACE.—Steelie, first; Morrison, second; Murdoch, third. A good field faced the starter for this event, but the result was a disappointment. Morrison was much fancied by outside friends who had seen him before, but Steele won easily.

THROWING THE HAMMER.—Nicholl, first; Gilmore, second. The winner landed it with a good throw of 73 feet 8 inches.

FOOTBALL PLACED KICK.—Col. Inglis, first, 184 feet; Pte. Ferguson, second, 166 feet; Pte. McWhirter, third, 156 feet.

LONG JUMP.—Pte. Anderson, first, 17 ft. 5 in.; Pte. McWhirter, second, 17 ft.

BOYS RACE 200 YARDS HANDICAP.—Watson, first; Bartley, second.

HIGH JUMP.—McWhirter, first, 5 ft. 3 in.; Walker, second.

FOOTBALL DROP KICK.—Gilmore, first, 47 ft.; Frame, second, 44 ft.; Ferguson, third, 41 ft.

THROWING CRICKET BALL.—Wilson, first, 102 yds. 6 in.; Steele, second, 97 yds.; Ferguson, third, 90 yds.

MILE RACE.—Gorman, first; Connor, second; Coulter, third.

MARCHES: ACTING-PIPER.—Hogg, first; Stevenson, second.

PIPER COMPETITION.—McKay, first; Ross, second.

SPRINTS: "RACE," 200 YARDS.—Lockhead, first; Morrison, second; Jones, third.

CORPORALS RACE, 200 YARDS.—Walker, first; Kennedy, second; Morrison, third.

HALF MILE RACE.—Murdoch, first; Connolly, second; Coulter, third.

HOB-STEP AND JUMP.—Bell, first, 38 ft. 3 in.; Sharpe, second; Ingle, third.

VETERANS RACE, 200 YARDS.—Jones, first; Edwards, second; Carr, third. Jones had three yards conceded him by Carr, who was a good third.

HALF MILE RACE.—Gorman, first; Connolly, second; Murdoch, third.

HURDLE RACE.—Walker, first; Bell, second; Gorman, third. Won easily in good style.

TOSTING THE CASK.—Nichols, first; Gilmore, second.

BAND RACE, 200 YARDS.—Bartley, first; Watson, second; Hetherington, third.

PUTTING THE SHOT.—Nichol, first, 33 ft. 1 in.; Wilson, second.

HIGHLAND FLING.—Stewart, first; Saunders, second.

OPEN TUG OF WAR: prize \$20; best of the pole. Two teams entered, one from the Regiment and one of Marines from H.M.S. "Severn." The Regiment had matters all their own way and pulled their opponents over twice in succession.

COMPANY RACES: four men per Company; prize \$10.—Two teams only competed, that of the Regimental Pipers being adjudged the winner.

MILE RACE, open, 1st prize \$10; 2nd prize \$5; 3rd prize \$3.—There were six entries for this race, Gaudin Singh carrying off the prize. Time, 10 min. 56 sec. Pte. Connolly was second; Pte. Coulter, third.

SACK RACE, 50 YARDS.—1st prize \$5; 2nd prize \$3.—Pte. Walker, first; Pte. Morrison, second; Pte. Patterson, third.

PIPE PLAYING COMPETITION.—1st prize \$10; 2nd prize \$5; 3rd prize \$3.—Piper Stevenson, first; Piper Robertson, second; Piper Ross, third.

SWORD DANCE.—Open.—1st prize \$10; 2nd prize \$5.—Corporal Cameron, first; Private Kelly, second.

CLOG DANCE.—1st prize \$5; 2nd prize \$3.—Private McColvin, first; Private Condon, second.

QUARTER MILE RACE.—1st prize \$7; 2nd prize \$3; 3rd prize \$1.—Pte. Reid, first; Pte. Murdoch, second; Drummer Steel, third.

CONSOLATION RACE, 220 YARDS.—1st prize \$5; 2nd prize \$3.—Drummer Steel, first; Pte. Macmillan, second; Pte. Thornton, third.

NOTES FROM CHINESE PAPERS.

Coal and iron, and more especially coal, are indispensable factors in the making of a powerful country. Every energy of our government is now concentrated on the strengthening of China, and with that end in view has gradually, during the last fifty years, convinced of the superiority of the superiority of Western methods, been dotting our country with arsenals, factories, ship-building yards, and other establishments modelled on the Western plan, until now we find scarcely a province in the Empire without some institution of the kind of which is borrowed from foreign countries. For most of these, coal is a sine qua non. Thus the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company, with plays such a powerful part in the patriotic work of winning back for China the profits in the Chinese carrying trades before monopolised by foreigners, uses every day a prodigious quantity of coal; and the railway, which will also be an immense consumer of both coal and iron. It is but natural, therefore, that the efforts of Chinese politicians should now be strenuously employed on the task of obtaining the necessity of the continued outflow of money abroad for the purchase of these materials, by the employment, as far as possible, of the mineral wealth with which China herself is so richly endowed. How great that outflow has been, will sufficiently appear from the following statistics.

In 1889 China purchased from England, Australia, and Japan 168,000 tons of coal, paying for it over \$2,000,000. These two million dollars were spent on foreign coal alone, and there was also a heavy bill of at least as much to pay for arms, munitions of war, and machinery. On the other hand, the small country Belgium, the last to make a treaty with China, has 1333 mines working, and produces yearly 20,000,000 tons of coal, of a value of \$23,000,000. Belgium herself uses two-tenths of this quantity in her factories, and the other eight-tenths she disposes of to foreign countries, one of these eight-tenths going to France and Germany. In addition to the profit of the sale of her surplus coal, the country has the advantage of being able to give employment to 100,000 of her people in connection with this industry, paying them yearly about \$22,470,000, or on an average \$220 a head. Thus

the government and many classes of the population directly or indirectly benefit by the mines, and the country, though small, is as rich as England or France.

The ill success which naturally followed the outrageous mismanagement of mining enterprises in China under the Ming dynasty, materially retarded their development in later times. The Government are, however, now deeply impressed with the necessity of having stores of coal at hand for our ships in the event of a war, when the enforcement of the neutrality laws might make it impossible to procure it from other countries. It is principally to provide for such a contingency that the Viceroy Li Hongzhang sent Sheng Tsao-tai to draw up an agreement with Mr. Gobel, Belgian Consul-General at Shanghai, himself formerly a director of mines in Belgium, under which Mr. Braive, a mining engineer of high repute and long experience, has been engaged, and has proceeded to Hupei, where the Viceroy Chang Chi-tung has also some German experts employed whose services were secured at a lower rate of remuneration. May their exertions contribute further to turning the tide of wealth still flowing out of China, into one of wealth flowing in!

Banks.

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

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PAID-UP CAPITAL £580,000.

LONDON:

Head Office: 40, Threadneedle Street.
West End Office: 25, Cockspur Street.

BRANCHES IN INDIA, PERSIA, CHINA, JAPAN AND THE COLONIES.

THE BANK receives MONEY ON DEPOSIT, Buys and Sells BILLS OF EXCHANGE, ISSUES LETTERS OF CREDIT, forwards BILLS for COLLECTION, and Transacts Banking and Agency Business generally, on terms to be had on application.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS:

Fixed for 12 months, 5 per Cent. per Annum.

ON CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS

1 per Cent. per Annum on the Daily Balance.

AGENCY OF THE NATIONAL LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY.

H. A. HERBERT,
Manager.

HONGKONG BRANCH.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

—THE BUSINESS of the above BANK will be conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on WEEK-DAYS, 10 to 3; SATURDAYS, 10 to 1.

—\$10 LESS THAN \$1, or MORE THAN \$250 at one time will not be received. No Depositor may deposit more than \$250 in any one year.

—DEPOSITORS in the SAVINGS BANK, having \$100, or more, at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per Cent. per annum interest.

—INTEREST at the rate of 3 1/2 per Cent. per annum will be allowed to Depositors on their daily balances.

—EACH DEPOSITOR will be supplied gratis with a PASS-BOOK, which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their PASS-BOOKS, but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and about the beginning of July.

—CORRESPONDENCE as to the Business of the Bank, if marked ON HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK BUSINESS, will be forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

—WITHDRAWALS may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the Depositor or his duly appointed Agent, and the production of his PASS-BOOK, are necessary.

FOR THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

C. E. NOBLE,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1889.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL £7,500,000.
RESERVE FUND £4,600,000.
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS £7,500,000.

COURT OF DIRECTORS:—

CHAIRMAN—H. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq.

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D. R. SASSOON, Esq.

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HONGKONG—G. E. NOBLE, Esq.

MANAGER.

SHANGHAI—JOHN WALTER, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANK.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNT at the rate of 2 per Cent. per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—

For 3 months, 3 per Cent. per Annum.

For 6 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum.

For 12 months, 5 per Cent. per Annum.

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

CREDITS granted on approved Securities, and every description of BANKING and EXCHANGE business transacted.

DRAFTS granted on London, and the chief commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

G. E. NOBLE,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1890.

Insurances.

THREE IMPORTANT FACTS ABOUT THE STANDARD LIFE OFFICE

1.—HALF A MILLION STEERING per annum is being paid in Death claims year by year.

2.—THE FUNDS IN HAND amount to upwards of Six Million and Three-quarter pounds Sterling and have increased 50 per Cent. in the last 15 years.

3.—THE LIVES who die are annually replaced by more than double the number of fresh carefully selected lives.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong.

FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, OF 1877 IN HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st July, 1889.

GENERAL LIFE AND FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY IN LONDON.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE and LIFE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st July, 1889.

THE INDIAN IMPERIAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at Current Rates.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 5th November, 1889.

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

CAPITAL TAELS 600,000. \$333,333.33

RESERVE FUND \$318,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

LEE SING, Esq. LO YUEN MOON, Esq.

LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER.—HO AMEI.

MARINE RISKS ON GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the world.

HEAD OFFICE: 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST, Hongkong, 17th December, 1888.

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED £1,000,000.

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN, Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE, No. 1, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST, Hongkong, 1st February, 1889.

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the Undersigned JOHN DODD in the Firm of Messrs. DODD & Co., at Tamsui, Kelang and Formosa, ceased as from the 1st February, 1890.

The business will as from that date be carried on by Mr. TOM GREAVES GOWLAND and Mr. HENRY PERCY WHITE.

JOHN DODD.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1890.

NOTICE.

MY Interest and Responsibility in the Firm of Messrs. D. O. LIA & Co., at Hongkong, Amoy, Foochow, Taiwanfo, Takow and Tamsui ceased from the 1st day of February, 1890.

F. C. KEEKA.

Foochow, 6th February, 1890.

AUSTIN ARMS HOTEL AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

MR. JOHN ANDREW having resigned the Secretaryship of the Company, Mr. HENRY HUMPHREYS has been appointed ACTING SECRETARY.

The Registered Office has been REMOVED to 36, Queen's Road Central (over the Hongkong Dispensary).

For the Directors,

JNO. D. HUMPHREYS, Chairman.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1890.

AUSTIN ARMS HOTEL AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

MR. JOHN D. HUMPHREYS has been appointed MANAGING DIRECTOR of the above Company.

HENRY HUMPHREYS, Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1890.

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IS the most approved and most efficacious remedy in cases of HEADACHE, MIGRAINE, NEURALGIA, RHEUMATISM, FEVER, TYPHUS, ERYSIPELAS, HOOPING-COUGH, and many other complaints. It is also the very best Antiseptic. Highly recommended by the medical Faculty. To be had at every reputed Chemist and Druggist. Ask for DR. KNORR'S ANTIPYRINE! Each Tin bears the inventor's signature "Dr. KNORR" in red letters.

Supplies constantly on hand at the China Export, Import, and Bank Co.—Sole Agents for China. Beware of spurious imitations!

Hongkong 20th May, 1889.

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A DIRECTORY AND WORK OF REFERENCE ON ALL IMPORTANT LOCAL SUBJECTS FOR HONGKONG, MACAO, CHINA, JAPAN, THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, SIAM, INDU-CHINA, NORTH BORNEO, THE PHILIPPINES, AND COREA, FOR THE YEAR 1890.

PRICE THREE DOLLARS.

"THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY" has again been enlarged and is THE CHEAPEST, MOST COMPLETE, AND ONLY RELIABLE WORK OF THE KIND PUBLISHED IN THE FAR EAST.

THE above named work, published at the Office of "THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH," contains a Directory for the Ports in the large portion of Asia comprised between Penang, in the Straits Settlements, and the Northern Chinese Ports, including Wladivostok, Formosa, the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, Coochin-China, the Philippine Islands, Corea, British North Borneo, the British Colony of Hongkong, and the Portuguese Colony of Macao. It also contains the Principal Treaties between European countries and the United States, the United States of America, Brazil, Japan, Peru, Spain, and Portugal; together with conditions of Trade, and the Port, Customs, Consular, and Harbour Regulations for the Ports of China and Japan; also descriptions of the various Ports, with the latest Trade Statistics taken from the Reports of the Imperial Maritime Customs and other reliable sources.

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In addition to the information enumerated above "THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY AND HONG LIST FOR THE FAR EAST" for 1890 contains a carefully revised INDEX TO THE ORDINANCES OF HONGKONG;

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"THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" PENDER'S HILL, HONGKONG. Hongkong, 26th January, 1890.

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CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—102 per Cent. premium, sellers.

Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$100 per share, sellers.

China Traders' Insurance Company—\$70 per share, sellers.

North China Insurance—Tls. 350 per share, buyers.

Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$130 per share.

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In Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150 per share.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$360 per share, sellers.

China Fire Insurance Company—\$84 per share, sellers.

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Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—25 per Cent. dis. buyers.

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The Hongkong Telegraph.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26, 1890.

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PER QUARTER

No. 2497.

Banks.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL\$7,500,000.
RESERVE FUND4,600,000.
RESERVE LIABILITY OF
PROPRIETORS7,500,000.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.—
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B. LAYTON, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER.
HONGKONG—G. E. NOBLE, Esq.
MANAGER.
SHANGHAI—JOHN WALTER, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND
COUNTY BANK.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
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LOCAL DISCOUNTS.
CREDITS granted on approved Securities,
and every description of BANKING and
EXCHANGE business transacted, and the chief
commercial places in Europe, India, Australia,
America, China and Japan.

G. E. NOBLE,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 14th March, 1890.

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" 3 " 3 " "
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AGENCY OF THE NATIONAL LIFE ASSURANCE
SOCIETY.
H. A. HERBERT,
Manager.
HONGKONG BRANCH.

RULES

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the production of his PASS-BOOK, are
necessary.

FOR THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
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G. E. NOBLE,
Chief Manager.
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A Second-hand English or American
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£1,000.
STG. payable at death, would
cost at the rate of—
£ 6 18 0 per quarter (a) If premiums are
payable for whole of life
or £ 9 11 6 " (b) If premiums are limited
to 20 years.
£ 11 4 6 " (c) If premiums are limited
to 15 years.
£ 13 0 0 " (d) If the Sum Assured is
made payable at age 50, or
at death if previous.

AFTER being three years in force, each
year's payment of premium secures a
proportionate part of Sum Assured as explained
in Prospectus. For instance: after five years a
man Assured under plan A would be entitled to a
Five Paid-up Policy for 1/20th of Sum Assured,
viz. £250, should he wish to discontinue future
payments.

The same provisions if commenced at age 40
n. b. would cost respectively (a) £8.15.0, (b)
£11.5.0, (c) £13.4.4, (d) £17.0.8 per quarter.
Note.—It is an advantage to effect Provisions
of this nature early in life. By delay the rate
of subscription increases. Death may occur
before the Provision is effected, or Health may
fall and render the life ineligible for Assurance.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents,
STANDARD LIFE OFFICE
FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, OF 1877
IN HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Company, are
prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE
at Current Rates.
REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, 1st July, 1889.

GENERAL LIFE AND FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY IN LONDON.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Company, are
prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE and
LIFE at Current Rates.
REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, 1st July, 1889.

THE INDIAN IMPERIAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Company, are
prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at Current
Rates.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Hongkong, 5th November, 1889.

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON-TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED).
CAPITAL TAELS 600,000. \$833,333.33.
EQUAL TO\$318,000.00.
RESERVE FUND\$318,000.00.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SING, Esq.
LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.
MANAGER—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS ON GOODS, &c., take
at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the
world.
HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST,
Hongkong, 17th December, 1889.

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY
LIMITED.
CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000.

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,
&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.
WOO LIN YUEN
Secretary.
HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST,
Hon Kong, 1st February, 1889.

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the
Undersigned JOHN DODD in the Firm
of Messrs. DODD & Co., at Tamsui, Kelung
and Formosa, ceased as from the 1st February,
1890.
The business will as from that date be carried
on by Mr. TOM GREAVES GOWLAND and
Mr. HENRY PERCY WHITE.
JOHN DODD.
Hongkong, 20th March, 1890.

MY Interest and Responsibility in the Firm
of Messrs. D. D. OLLIA & Co., at
Hongkong, Amoy, Foochow, Tainanfo, Takow
and Tamsui ceased from the 1st day of February,
1890.
F. C. KEEKA.
Foochow, 6th February, 1890.

AUSTIN ARMS HOTEL AND BUILDING
COMPANY, LIMITED.
MR. JOHN ANDREW having resigned the
Secretaryship of the Company, Mr.
HENRY HUMPHREYS has been appointed
Acting Secretary.
The Registered Office has been REMOVED
to 36, Queen's Road Central (over the Hongkong
Dispensary).
For the Directors,
JNO. D. HUMPHREYS,
Chairman,
Hongkong, 15th March, 1890.

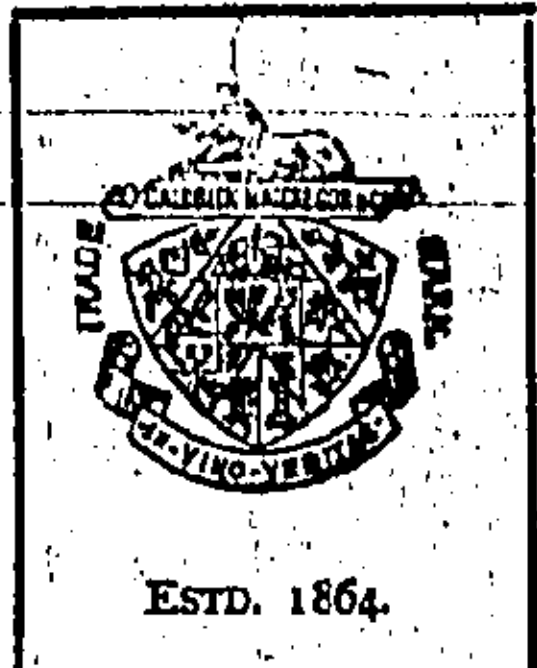
AUSTIN ARMS HOTEL AND BUILDING
COMPANY, LIMITED.
MR. JOHN D. HUMPHREYS has been
appointed MANAGING DIRECTOR of the
above Company.
HENRY HUMPHREYS,
Acting Secretary,
Hongkong, 17th March, 1890.

Intimations.

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & CO.,

HONGKONG
AND
SHANGHAI.

Hongkong, 19, Queen's Road,
24th March, 1890.



WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

ALE AND STOUT
MERCHANTS.

W. POWELL & CO.

THE ILLUMINATIONS.
5000 JAPANESE LANTERNS. 5000 ENGLISH CANDLES.

AT LOW RATES.
TO CLEAR CONSIGNMENTS.
W. POWELL & CO.

Victoria Exchange,
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1890.

FOR SALE.

CRICKET BATS, BALLS, STUMPS, GLOVES, &c.
TENNIS BATS, BALLS, NETS, POLES, SHOES, TAPE COURTS,
BLACK GUT TENNIS BATS.
BILLIARD CUES, BALLS, POCKETS, RESTS, SPOTS, &c.,
CHAMPION BILLIARD CUES.

QUOITS, SINGLE STICKS, FOILS, BOXING GLOVES,
DUMB BELLS, FOOTBALLS, BOWLS,
RUNNING SHOES AND DRAWERS.
SADDLERY OF ALL KINDS.
PLAYING CARDS, GAME MARKERS, DRAUGHTS, REVERSI, CHESS,
BACKGAMMON, DOMINOES, DICE, and a great variety of Games.

ALL the attention of Homeward Bound Passengers to their newly imported stock of English-
made P. & O. and Ordinary
TRAVELLING TRUNKS.
TIN AND LEATHER DESPATCH CASES,
TOURIST CASES, WRITING CASES, BLOTTING PADS,
CASH BOXES with BRAMA and PATENT LOCKS,
TRAVELLING AND SAFETY INKSTANDS,
QUACKENBUSH'S NICKEL SPRING,
AMERICAN SQUEEZERS,
ENGLISH PLAYING CARDS,
POKER CHIPS, WHIST MARKERS,
SWEET CAPORAL, STRAIGHT CUT and VIRGINIA BRIGHT CIGARETTES,
ALL THE POPULAR BRANDS OF ENGLISH and AMERICAN TOBACCOS,
CHOICE MANILA CIGARS, PIPES, POUCHES, &c.

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED,
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1890.

MARINE HOTEL,

HONGKONG.
THE Undersigned begs to notify the Public of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, that he will
OPEN THE MARINE HOTEL, on or about the 1st May.
THIS FIRST-CLASS HOTEL is situated on the Praya, West, opposite the Old P. & O.
Wharf, and is newly built after the designs of the Largest European Hotels—the BEDROOMS,
BATH-ROOMS, &c., are commodious, well ventilated and well furnished, and are suitable for
Single or Married Persons. THE DINING ROOM is large and looks on the Harbour.
The TABLE D'HOTE will be supplied with the best of the market and will be fitted up in
superior style. ENGLISH and AMERICAN TABLES
WINE and LIQUORS of the best quality and Brands only will be supplied.
The Undersigned therefore begs the patronage of the Public, hoping to give every satisfaction.
JAS. EDWARDS, Proprietor.
Hongkong, 21st March, 1890.

W. BREWER.

HAS JUST RECEIVED
CASSELL'S Year Book Medical Treatment.
Grover's Railway Bridges Culverts, &c.
Handy Book Stars.
Atlas of Anatomy.
Lee's Merchant Shipping Act.
Laws of Shipping.
King of Road Bicycle Lamp.
Violin Guitars and Banjo Strings.
Banjos, Guitars and Old Violins.
Chess Draughts, Dominoes.

Footballs, Boxing Gloves.
Match Cricket Balls.
Youths Cricket Balls.
New Game, Revers.
New Artists' Materials, Oil Colours.
Water Colours Salls and Hog Hair Brushes.
Robertson's Medium.
Vulcanite Set Squares.
Engineers Paper Scales.

W. BREWER,
UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1890.

ROBERT LANG & CO.,

TAILORS, HATTERS, SHIRTMAKERS, AND GENTLEMEN'S OUTFITTERS.

NEW GOODS.
Ladies' Habits.
Jackets.
Ulsters.
New Felt Hats (latest styles).
DRAB SHELL HATS.
Single & Double TERAI HATS.

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1890.

H. G. BROWN AND COMPANY, LIMITED.
LABUK PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
THE First Ordinary General MEETING of
the SHAREHOLDERS in the above
Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel,
on MONDAY the 1st instant, at NOON, for the
purpose of receiving the Report of the General
Managers and Statement of Accounts to 31st
December, 1889.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 20th to the 31st
March, 1890, both days inclusive.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 19th March, 1890.

NOTICE is hereby given that the 3rd CALL
of \$5 per Share on the 4000 Shares
numbered 1001/5000 is payable to the Hongkong
and Shanghai Banking Corporation on or before
the 17th April, 1890, and Calls not paid on said
date are liable to interest at the rate of 12 1/2 %
per annum.
The TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED
from 7th April to 17th April, 1890.
LABUK PLANTING Co., Ltd.
TURNER & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1890.

Intimations.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.

(Established A.D. 1841).

HONGKONG DISPENSARY, HONGKONG.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS.
FAMILY, DISPENSING, AND GENERAL
CHEMISTS.
PATENT MEDICINE PROPRIETORS.
SEEDSMEN.
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

Manufacturers of
AERATED WATERS
By Steam Machinery.
CIGAR IMPORTERS, &c., &c.

Submitting an abridged Synopsis of a few
of the chief lines of goods included in our
business, we beg to state that we import Drugs,
Chemicals and Goods of every kind of the best
description only—no other quality is kept in
stock.

Our long experience and intimate acquaint-
ance with the Trade, and the best sources of
supply, enable us to purchase direct from the
Producers on the very best terms, and thus
give us an advantage which enables us to offer
our constituents the benefit of a considerable
reduction in the price of all our Specialities as
compared with similar articles sold elsewhere.

We wish it to be clearly understood that
our prices cannot be beaten by any other firm in
the Colony; and we trust it will soon become
generally known that, quality for quality, our
charges all round compare favourably with
local rates, and in most instances with those
ruling at home.

Experienced qualified English Assistants
ONLY are employed in the preparation and dis-
pensing of Medicines.
Analysis of all kinds.—We are in a position
to well attend to the interests of our Clients.

FAMILY AND DOMESTIC MEDICINES.
AND OTHER GOODS AND APPLIANCES
KEPT IN STOCK.

NURSERY AND INVALIDS' REQUISITES.

Infants' Feeding Bottles, Dittie Brushes and
Teats, Food Warmers, Lamps, and Nightlights.
Invalids' Feeding Cups, and Tubes.
Breast Pumps, Nursing Shields, Violet
Powder, Perfumery, and Puffs.
Infants' Food of all kinds.
BRAND'S Essence of Beef, Mutton, Chicken,
Veal, &c.
LITTLE'S Extract of Beef.
VALENTINE'S Meat Juice.
Condensed Milk, Corn Flour, Bermuda Arrow-
root, Russian Isinglass, Prepared Groaty,
Genuine Mustard, &c.

MEDICAL AND DOMESTIC APPLIANCES, &c.

Cholera Belts, Metal and Earthenware Bed
Pans, Disinfectants and Medicated Toilet
Papers, Fumigating Pastilles, Vaporizers, &c.,
&c.

SOUTHALL'S Sanitary Towels for Ladies' use.
Ear and Earthen Syringes, Bougies, Catheters,
Pessaries, Trusses, Elastic Silk Stockings, Knee
Caps, Anklelets, Wrists, and Bandages of all
kinds.

Urinals, Male or Female, in Glass, Earthen-
ware, and India Rubber.
Water-proof Sheet and Spine.
Ice Bags for Head and Spine.
Bronchitis Kettles, Hot Water Bottles.
Chest and Lung Protectors.
Adhesive Plaster, Court Dittie.
Corn and Bunion Plasters.
Lint, Oiled Silk, Gutta Serena Tissue.
Japanese Hot Boxes, Air Cushions.
Mustard Leaves, Spongio Pilule.
Lined Meal for Poultices, Poultice Bags,
&c., &c.

Minimum Measures, Medicine Glasses and
Spoon, Champagne and Soda Water Taps,
Still, and Siphons.
Eye Baths, Droppers and Douches, Throat
Sprays, Inhalers and Insufflators, Stethoscopes,
Hypodermic Syringes.

THERMOMETERS, &c.

Chemical, Clinical, and Bath Thermometers.
Six's Minimum and Maximum Thermometers.
Alcoholometers, Barometers, Galvanometers,
Hydrometers, Lactometers, Urinometers, Spec-
ific Gravity Bottles, Flasks, Test Tubes, Test
Papers, &c., &c.

SUN SPECTACLES AND GOGGLES.

With Blue, Green, and Smoked Glasses, Eye
Preservers and Shades of all kinds.

DENTAL AND SURGICAL INSTRU- MENTS.

Ear Cornets and Trumpets, Conversation
Tubes, Corn Knives and Rubbers, Camel Hair
Pencils, Ligature Catgut, Silver Wire, Prac-
titioners' Knives and Scissors, Pocket Dressing
Cases and Instruments, Probes, Respirators,
Dispensing Scales and Weights.

MEDICINE CHESTS.

Medicine Chests for family and travellers' use.
Ship Medicine Chests fitted in accordance
with the regulations of the Board of Trade.
Medicine Chests refitted complete at a few
hours' notice.
Medicine Chest Guides containing a list of
useful Domestic Medicines with their Properties
and Doses.

ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES.

Magneto-Electric Machines for the Cure of
Nervous Diseases, Neuralgia, Rheumatism, &c.
Electric Hair-Brushes for preventing baldness.
Electrostatic Belts for Dyspepsia, Rheuma-
tism, Lumbago, &c.
Electric Bells, Batteries, Pushes, Indicators,
Wire, and appliances generally.

HOMOEOPATHIC MEDICINES.

We always have on hand a varied assortment
of these kinds in most general demand.

VACCINE.

We import regular supplies of Pure Fresh
Calf Lymph by every Mail from England.
Vaccine Lancet and Vaccination Shields.

WATER FILTERS.

ELUCATED CARBON FILTER CO.
AND
MAYNARD & SWAN, (Patent)
In Glass and Tin, for Table use,
Especially for ordinary Domestic Purposes,
Fishes, and for Travellers.

Intimations.

TOILET REQUISITES.

JOSEPH RODGERS & SONS, "SHEFFIELD"
Razors, Scissors, and Penknives.
Razor Strops, Paste, and Paper.
Ear, Tooth, and Nail Picks and Trimmers.
Hand Mirrors. Toilet Sets.
Glove, and Patent Drying Bottles.
Dessert Combs.
Hair, Tooth, Nail, Bath and Shaving Brushes
in great variety.

Cosmetics, Hair Lotions and Pomades.
Tooth Pastes, Powders and Soaps.
Turco-Bath Gloves, and Straps, Loofahs.
Fine Turkey Cup and Honey Comb.
Bath and Toilet Sponges of all sizes.
Fine English Cut-glass Toilet Bottles and
Perfume Spray Diffusers. An Elegant Assort-
ment of various designs.

CHOICE PERFUMERY.

English, French, and American.
A large selection of all kinds kept in stock to
choose from.

SOAPS.

Family, Toilet, Medicinal, and Transparent.
In addition to those of our own make, all of
which we can confidently recommend, we keep
a large and varied assortment of the following
well-known makes, viz.:—
Atkinson's, Calvert's, Colgate's, Hendrie's,
Lubin's, Pears' &c., &c.

GENUINE PATENT MEDICINES.

European and American Patent Medicines,
Specialties, and Proprietary Remedies imported
direct from the Original Makers or their ap-
pointed Agents.

Special Agents for Burroughs, Wellcome &
Co.'s New and Popular Remedies.
Kemp's Extract of Malt—Ditto with Cod Liver
Oil. Wyeth's Tablets—Preparations of all
kinds.

Fairchild's Digestive Peptonoid, Zymine,
&c., &c.
SOLE AGENTS for Scott's Emulsion of Cod
Liver Oil.

MINERAL WATERS OF ALL KINDS.

Apollinaris, Carlsbad, Czeclan, Friedrichshall,
Hunyadi Janos, Pullna, Vals, Vichy, &c.
We import direct shipments of all the above
regularly at short intervals.

PHOTOGRAPHIC GOODS.

Photographic Apparatus, Chemicals, and
Materials of all kinds suitable for Amateurs and
Professionals, including Cameras, Lenses, Baths,
Trays, Lamps, Mounts, &c.

Our Cameras and Lenses are of Exceptional
quality, specially made for use in tropical climates
and fitted with all the latest improvements.
CHEAP SETS OF APPARATUS FOR AMATEURS
AND TRAVELLERS. Three sizes, viz. 8, 10, and
whole plate. Complete in strong Wood Cabinets.
THORO CHEMICALS AND SUPPLIES of all kinds
at Moderate Prices.

Albumenized and Sensitized Papers.
Thomas' Collodion and Iodizer.
DRY PLATES.—Thomas', Ilford, and Wratten
& Wainwright's kept in Stock.
Price list of Photo. goods supplied gratis and
post free on application.

FLOWER & VEGETABLE SEEDS.

We import the newest and best varieties
obtainable every season direct from the best
growers in England, France, and Germany.
Full Catalogue and price list (with "Hints for
Gardening") to be had on application.

AERATED WATERS.

Our Factory has been recently refitted with
automatic Steam Machinery of the latest and
most approved kind, and we are well able to
compete in quality with the best English
Makers.

The purest ingredients only are used, and the
utmost care and cleanliness are exercised in the
manufacture throughout.

FOR COAST PORTS—Waters are packed and
placed on board ship at Hongkong prices, and
the full amount allowed for Packages & Emplies
when received in good order.

Analytical Reports and full particulars to be
had on application.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

We invite attention to our fine old brand
Brands, all of which are of excellent quality and
good value for the money.

The same being specially selected by our Lon-
don House, and bought direct from the most
noted Shippers, are imported in wood and bot-
tled by ourselves, thus enabling us to supply the
best goods at moderate prices.

Price list to be had on application.

MANILA CIGARS AND CHEROOTS.

A carefully-selected and well-matched stock
of most of the best makes, and our own special
brands always on hand.

We can deliver boxes of 500 or more to any
address in England, duty and all expenses paid.

CIGARETTES.

We import direct shipments of the following
favourite Brands regularly at short intervals—
Sweet Caporal, Richmond Gem, and Old Judge.

TOBACCO.

IN TINS AND PACKETS.
Pipes, Cigar and Cigarette Tubes, Cigar and
Cigarette Cases, Pouches, Cigarette Machines,
and a varied assortment of Smokers' Requisites.

GOODS FOR COAST PORTS.

Whenever practicable, are despatched by first
steamer leaving after receipt of order. Most
articles can now be sent by the local Parcel
Post. All retail orders of the value of five dollars
and upwards are sent freight or postage paid.

Orders through Local Post or by Telegram
receive prompt attention.

Addressed Envelopes, Order Forms, and
Aerated Water Counterbills supplied free on
application.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD

Intimations.

DAKIN BROS. OF CHINA, LIMITED.

AGENTS FOR PARKE, DAVIS & Co's, SPECIALITIES. CASCARA CORDIAL.

A non-secret preparation of the now universally used Cascara Sagrada. In those cases of constipation and indigestion where Cascara is indicated, this cordial can be used with confidence; it is pleasantly flavoured and combined with aromatics that prevent griping, and cover the objectionable bitter taste which is the one great objection to the use of this medicine.

Sold in original flasks at \$1.25. CONCENTRATED DISTILLED EXTRACT WITCH HAZEL.

This preparation, sold under various fancy names, has gained the position of a household remedy for wounds, bruises, inflammation, &c. In the treatment of piles, it often affords relief to effect a cure, but its most important use will be in the treatment of traumatic injuries, including sprains, bruises, excoriations, cuts, burns, contused and lacerated wounds, as well as corns, bunions, chapped lips, fissured nipples, ulcers, the bites or stings of insects, &c.

P. D. & Co's preparation is equal to any of the brands sold under proprietary names and is about one third the price.

In pint bottles at cents 75.

BY APPOINTMENT. A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

MANUFACTURERS OF AERATED WATERS.

OUR AERATED WATER MANUFACTORY is replete with the best Machinery, embodying all the latest improvements in the trade.

The greatest attention has been paid to appliances for ensuring purity in the Water-supply, to secure which we have added a Condenser capable of supplying us with 3,000 gallons of distilled water a day, and are now in a position to compete in quality with the best English makers. Our Sweet Waters cannot be surpassed anywhere.

The purest ingredients only are used, and the utmost care and cleanliness are exercised in the manufacture throughout.

LARGE BOMBAY "SODAS"

We continue to supply large bottles as heretofore, free of Extra Charge, to those of our Customers who prefer to have them to the ordinary size.

COAST PORT ORDERS. whenever practicable, are despatched by first steamer leaving after receipt of order.

FOR COAST PORTS, Waters are packed and placed on board ship at Hongkong prices, and the full amount allowed for Packages and Empties when received in good order.

Counterfoil Order Books supplied on application.

Our Registered Telegraphic Address is, "DISPENSARY, HONG KONG."

All and signed messages addressed thus will receive prompt attention.

The following is a List of Waters always kept ready in Stock:—

PURE AERATED WATERS

SODA WATER

LEMONADE

POTASH WATER

SELTZER WATER

LITHIA WATER

SARSAPARILLA WATER

TONIC WATER

GINGER ALE

GINGERADE.

No Credit given for bottles that look dirty, or greasy, or that appear to have been used for any other purpose than that of Containing Aerated Water, as such bottles are never used again by us.

A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED, Hongkong, China, and Manila.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26, 1890.

TELEGRAMS.

THE ARMY ESTIMATES.

LONDON, March 14th.

Mr. Stanhope stated that Government expected during the current year to be able to arm all the regulars with the magazine rifle, and some selected regiments with smokeless powder.

A motion of Sir Edward Hamley that all deficiencies in Volunteer equipment and all debts of the corps properly incurred shall be made good from the Public Revenue, was at once adopted.

SOUTH AFRICA.

There is great excitement at Johannesburg owing to arrests in connection with the recent riots.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

AN Emergency meeting of Perseverance Lodge, No. 1165, E.C., will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, on Friday, the 28th instant, at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

THERE was another enthusiastic audience at the City Hall last night to witness the performance of the Hudsons and needless to say the lengthy programme was carried through with a dash characteristic of the talented company. Each and every member—including the elephant—came in for rounds of applause. Encores were the order of the night, and the funds the fact is pretty well established in the minds of the Surprise Party that if a Hongkong audience is not a greedy one, it at least wants full value for its money. The really first class programme which has been arranged for to-night will no doubt draw a bumper house.

CHARLES Rivers Allpress, the absconding accountant charged with stealing £3,000 from the Collingwood branch of the Commercial Bank, has been arrested in London, where he has been living in great style as "Lord Armlage." In England if you call yourself John Smith you are pretty sure to be found, because there are only two or three million John Smiths in the kingdom; but if you call yourself "Lord somebody," the disguise is usually most effectual, and now being as common in England as a lodging-house fiend. It is safe to say that there is not a living man personally acquainted with more than a small percentage of the British peerage. Allpress' arrest under the circumstances is a singular example of the irony of fate.

'WHAT'S in a name?' A good deal when it's stuck on the south-east corner of a check.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s extra steamer *Ventila*, from Bombay, left Singapore for this port yesterday, at 9 a.m.

THERE is a collection of postage stamps in Germany, the most complete in the world, which is valued at more than \$1,600,000.

THE P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *China*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 11th inst., has arrived at Yokohama, and will leave for this port to-morrow.

IN 1800 the Bible was translated into the languages of only a fifth of the population of the globe. Now it is translated into the languages of nine-tenths of the human race.

THE Paris physicians, knowing how to win patients during the siege of *la grippe*, prescribed 'tonics, beefsteak, the best claret, and a moderate quantity of champagne.'

THE Pope's representative in New York lately had a law-suit on, and like a shrewd judge of 'temporal affairs' he retained the famous Agnostic, Colonel Robert Ingersoll.

OUR report of the Legislative Council proceedings this afternoon has had to be held over. There was a very interesting debate on the Military Contribution.

THE Superintendent of the P. & O. S. N. Co. courteously informs us that the steamship *Kaiser-i-Hind*, with the next English mail, left Singapore for this port at 3 a.m. to-day.

CHIEF Justice O'Malley does not put on the black cap when he is sentencing murderers to the extreme penalty. He has worked two such individuals off already, down at Singapore.

THE authorities, acting on information sent on ahead, we suppose, have enrolled three hundred Chinamen for special police duty next week. Evidently the Dook's "sweet" require well watching.

WE have not forgotten our pledge to deal sense out to our royal friend Mr. Francis Q. C., but the complication of *la grippe* and influenza with which we are at present wrestling compels its postponement.

THERE will be an Emergency meeting of St. John Lodge, No. 618, S.C., held in Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, on Friday, the 28th instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

A FREEMANTLE (W.A.) tradesman shows his contempt for the alleged goddess of justice by displaying the following quaint signboard over his place of business:—"Here lives—," who was robed of his property in a Supreme Court on 18th October, 18.

MR. STANLEY estimates the distance traveled in the interior of Africa at about 5,400 miles, of which all but 1,000 were on foot. The entire cost of the expedition will not exceed £30,000. The number of lives lost is ignored. That of course, is immaterial.

ADMIRAL Salmon informed the Chamber of Commerce last week that H.M.S. *Rambler* has been ordered to return to the China Station to resume her surveying duties, but the requirements of the service will not admit of the continuous employment of a surveying vessel in the China Seas.

THE other day we suggested that a Siberian gold-mining company should be floated. The *Singapore Free Press* now informs us that a strong Syndicate was founded in Singapore some time ago to work certain gold concessions in Siberia, and that it is now being made into a company with £30 shares.

INSPECTOR Swanson must have a very fatal breath. He found a Chinaman lying in the street at Wanchai, this morning, so he lifted him up and asked his name. The picked-up individual looked at the Inspector, rolled his eyes, said "Ah—h—h," and expired. We must put Swanson on duty along the Rialto.

ANYBODY who is fond of "high" art should go for a tuxa along Queen's Road. There are between four thousand festoons of oil-cloth, painted in fearsome style, stretched across, and the Rialto bears a striking similitude to a jostle-house out for an airing. The decorator ought to get seven years—or knighthood. The Order of the Knight-mare, say.

EDMUND YATES says that the collection of maps destroyed by the fire at King Leopold's palace in Laeken was probably the finest in the world. The library contained 4,000 volumes, and included manuscript works by Sir Walter Raleigh and an *eddie princeps* in Spanish of the reports of Columbus. The maps had been collected during the last thirty years, utterly regardless of expense.

AN interesting couple were on view for a time to-day in the Central Station charge room. They were Thomas and Maria Cate, and although the Inspector was mysteriously reluctant as to the crime which had brought them there, we learned the fact that riotous behaviour had had something to do with it. The informer, who was a jealous cousin of Thomas', having disappeared, he explained away a small matter which had been written after his phony name on the charge sheet. A rogue and a vagabond! Poor Mick could see no harm in either, and seeing none, thought these names less hard than others which he had been called for many a day. Mr. Robinson was of the opinion that three weeks in that retreat where the wicked cease from troubling and the weary are at rest—the House of Correction—would meet the case, and prescribed accordingly.

AN observer remarks that the stage heroine is always in trouble. After her husband has been found guilty of murder and her white-headed father has become a bankrupt and has died of a broken heart, and the home of her childhood has been sold up, then her infant goes and contracts a fever and she weeps. The child has a dampening smile after his phony name on the charge sheet. A rogue and a vagabond! Poor Mick could see no harm in either, and seeing none, thought these names less hard than others which he had been called for many a day. Mr. Robinson was of the opinion that three weeks in that retreat where the wicked cease from troubling and the weary are at rest—the House of Correction—would meet the case, and prescribed accordingly.

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drunken riot and a case of absolute "pi" could do that.

We haven't been crowding around any, but we have been at work all the same. We now take pleasure in announcing to our readers that, beginning next week, we shall not only look the forms of the *Kicker* with a regular plus and molasses roller procured in Denver at a great expense and as a particular favor, but we shall place a jar of beans in our window and offer 100 years' subscription to this paper to the person making the nearest guess as to the exact number. Three months will be allowed for sending in the guesses.

And as if this were not enough to make the aforesaid cross-eyed, lame-jointed, buck-kneed, one-stooped hyena who adds the word "editor" to his name wish he had never been born, we shall offer a prize of four gallons of whiskey to the half-bred who can wear a shirt the longest, and take our whole office force up in a balloon as soon as the vehicle, already contracted for, can arrive here.

Now let our contemporary howl with his cracked voice and gnash his old snags together! We have only just begun with him. He talks of editorial enterprise! He prates of giving subscribers double the value of their money! Why, we can think of more schemes in five minutes than could be crowded into his cranium in two thousand years! We've been a little saving of late, but now that this so-called "publisher" has seen fit to blow his bagpipe horn about enterprise, we'll go down into our sock and spend our last dime to drive him into a rabbit hole and plug up the entrance.

Today's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL.

The Fashionable Evening Resort. SOCIETY'S REUNIONS. LAST WEEK! LAST WEEK! Glorious and Triumphant Success of Everybody's Favourites.

HUDSON'S SURPRISE PARTY.

CHINA'S CONGRESS OF ENTERTAINERS.

It would be easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for any Company in our own unique style to equal this great organization of ability.

THEY HAVE NO RIVALS.

Just as the mighty ocean rolls in endless perpetuity, so do the Hudson's uninterrupted maintain their grand pre-eminence.

THIS IS THE VOICE OF VERDICT OF THE PUBLIC.

THIS EVENING,

25th March, 1890.

EVERYTHING NEW.

The Greatest Programme of the Season.

Read carefully, and digest.

Only a few of the items in To-night's Bill.

Scene from the latest Gaiety Burlesque, "Monte Cristo." Miss Lily C. Baber in her Comic Opera impersonation, &c.

MISS MAY HADGROD.

Will play the Brilliant Fantasia "Blair Athol," Messrs. HUDSON & GILBERT.

In their Grotesque Song and Dance "The Rivals," &c.

MISS ADA CLEMENTS & NELLIE HARLEY.

Will sing the Favourite Duet, "Lily and the Rose."

The screaming sketch SLOCUM'S DOG.

Misses Linton and Robert's Beautiful Song and Dance "Moonbeams."

Miss Nelly Harley in new pleasing Vocalizations.

OUFA, The Aerial Marvel.

And Hudson's send you home happy Farce "THE COMING MAN."

New Ballads, Duets, Jokes, Dances, &c.

Admission as usual. Smiling begins at 9 P.M.

Box Office open at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH'S.

THOS. P. HUDSON, Proprietor & Manager.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1890. [472]

NOTICE.

CRUICKSHANK AND COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd April, at 3.30 P.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Account for the year ending 28th February, 1890.

WM. CRUICKSHANK, General Manager.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1890. [482]

TO BE LET.

FROM the 1st of April next—The HOTEL SHOP at present in the occupation of Gate & Co. and the one adjoining thereto. For particulars, apply to

R. LYALL, Secretary.

Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1890. [483]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY,

the 9th April, 1890, at NOON, at his Sale Rooms, Duddell Street.

[Unless previously disposed of by private Contract.]

THE WRECK OF THE BRITISH STEAMSHIP SOOCHOW.

of 326 Tons net Register, as she lies on the day of sale, on shore near Ching-mai Point, near Holhow.

TERMS OF SALE—Cash on the fall of the hammer.

For particulars apply to the undersigned.

G. R. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1890. [474]

PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF HONGKONG.

No. 1165.

A NEMERGENCY MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in FREEMASON'S HALL, Zealand Street, on FRIDAY, the 28th inst., at 5 for 5.30 P.M. precisely.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1890. [485]

ST. JOHN LODGE OF HONGKONG.

No. 618, S.C.

A NEMERGENCY MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in FREEMASON'S HALL, Zealand Street, on FRIDAY, the 28th inst., at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely.

Visiting Brothers are cordially invited.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1890. [486]

NOTICE.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS AND ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this HARBOUR, none of the COMPANY'S FOREMEN should be at hand, ORDERS FOR REPAIRS, if sent to the HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive prompt attention.

In the event of complaints being found necessary, communication with the Undersigned is requested, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES, Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th August, 1889. [15]

Today's Advertisements.

THIS EVENING,

the 26th March.

A CONCERT.

UNDER THE DISTINGUISHED PATRONAGE of His Excellency the Administrator, FRANCIS FLEMING, C.M.G.

His Excellency Vice-Admiral Sir NOWELL SALMON, V.C., K.C.B.

His Excellency Major-General J. B. EDWARDS, C.B., R.E.

And IN AID OF THE FUNDS of THE ALICE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, will be given by MAESTRO CATTANEO'S PUPILS, kindly assisted by Mrs. GILLIES, Miss HOWARD, and Mr. G. VON WILLE, in THE ST. GEORGE'S HALL.

COMMENCING AT 9 P.M.

PROGRAMME.

PART I.

1. March, Faust, by Chorus by Lady and Gounod. Gentleman Amateurs.

2. Aria, for Soprano, Miss Pizzocelli, Salvatore Rocco.

3. Romanza, for Baritone, Una ballo in Maschera, by Verdi. C. Grace.

4. Angel's Serenade for Alto, by Braga, with Violin accompaniment. Mrs. A. G. Gordon.

5. Quartette for Soprano, Mezzo sopr. Tenor & Baritone, Rigoletto, by Verdi. Mrs. M. Guedes.

6. Cocluch, for Piano, by Raffi. Miss C. Souza.

7. Balletta for Soprano, I Caritani, by Bellini. Miss E. Carvalho.

8. Large nel finale, Traviata, by Verdi. Mrs. J. D. Humphreys.

TEN MINUTES INTERVAL.

PART II.

Mrs. G. S. Coxon.

Mrs. H. Lightwood.

Miss M. Lammer.

Mr. E. L. Hunter.

Mr. G. Lammer.

Mr. J. M. Lalag.

Mr. J. Kraal.

Chorus by Lady and Gentleman Amateurs.

1. Largo finale, Saffo, by Pacini. Miss E. Carvalho.

2. Grand Aria for Soprano, Aida, by Verdi. Miss E. Carvalho.

3. Trio for Soprano, Tenor, and Bass, Lombardi, by Verdi. Mr. W. E. Crow.

4. Song—She wandered down the Mountain Side, for Soprano, by Clay. Mrs. J. D. Humphreys.

5. Paraphrase on Wagner's "Meistersinger," R. Wagner, for Violino and piano. Mrs. D. Gillies.

6. Una voce poco fa—Cavatina for Mezzo Soprano, Barbiere di Siviglia, by Rossini. Mrs. M. Guedes.

7. Duet, Soprano and Baritone, Rigoletto, by Verdi. Mrs. G. S. Coxon and Mr. G. Lammer.

8. Grand Walzer Concertato, Tutti in Maschera, by Pedrotti. Mrs. E. W. Maitland.

Chorus of Lady and Gentleman Amateurs.

Tickets, not less than \$2 each, to be had from Maestro Cattaneo and his Pupils, and from Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co. Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Ltd., or Messrs. Kruse & Co.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1890. [418]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship "JAPAN" are hereby informed that their goods are being landed at their risk into the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at West Point, whence delivery may be obtained. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 1st prox. will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Consignees are hereby informed, that all claims must be made immediately, as none will be entertained after the 1st prox. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1890. [480]

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. EZEKIEL ABRAHAM SOLOMON in our Firm in Hongkong ceased on the 1st January last.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Hongkong, 26th March, 1890. [481]

NOTICE.

SHIPMASTERS AND ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this HARBOUR, none of the COMPANY'S FOREMEN should be at hand, ORDERS FOR REPAIRS, if sent to the HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive prompt attention.

In the event of complaints being found necessary, communication with the Undersigned is requested, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES, Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th August, 1889. [15]

HONGKONG TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.

(LATE THE HALL & HOLTZ CO-OPERATIVE COMPANY, LIMITED.)

COMPLETE

HOUSE FURNISHERS, CARPET WAREHOUSEMEN, LINEN DRAPERS, & UPHOLSTERERS.

SHOW ROOMS, 37 & 39, QUEEN'S ROAD.

MATERIALS AND WORKMANSHIP ABSOLUTELY GUARANTEED.

HONGKONG TRADING CO., LTD.

(Late THE HALL & HOLTZ Co., Ltd.)

Hongkong, 1st March, 1890. [354]

PROGRAMME OF SKY RACES to be held on the RACE COURSE, WONG NEI CHONG, kindly lent by the Stewards of the Hongkong Jockey Club, on

SATURDAY, the 12th April, 1890, under the auspices of THE HONGKONG POLO CLUB.

First saddling bell to be rung at 1.30 P.M.

1st POLO SCURRY CUP, presented by the Officers of the A. & S. HIGHLANDERS. For all *bona fide* Polo Ponies; 4-mile heats, without dismounting, best 2 out of 3, catch weights over 11 stone. Entrance, \$2.

2nd—THE TAI MA FONG CUP, presented by Mr. J. KENNEDY, 4-mile. For all subscription Griffins of this and last year that have never been placed, weight for inches as per scale. Entrance, \$5, and \$15, 3rd to save stake.

3rd—THE WAY-FONG CUP, presented, Steeple Chase for all China Ponies, catch weights over 11 stone. Three times round the Steeple Chase course. Entrance \$5, 2nd \$15, 3rd to save stake.

4th—THE FAREWELL CUP, presented by H. N. MOBY, Esq., one mile handicap for all China Ponies. Entrance \$5, 2nd \$15, 3rd to save stake.

5th—THE HALF MILE FLAT RACE, open to all Non-commissioned Officers and Men of the Garrison, Navy, and Police. First Prize, \$15; Second Prize, \$10; Third Prize, \$5; Entrance free.

6th—THE V CUP, presented by J. D. Humphreys, Esq., Steeple-chase for all subscription Griffins of this and last season, and *bona fide* Polo Ponies and Hackes. Catch weights over 11 stone. Entrance, \$5, 2nd \$15, 3rd to save stake.

7th—THE BROOKERS' CUP, presented by the Share Brokers of Hongkong & Co., for all China Ponies weight for inches as per scale. Ponies other than subscription Griffins, Hackes, and Polo Ponies—10lbs. extra. Entrance \$5, 2nd \$15, 3rd to save stake.

8th—THE LADIES' NOMINATION distance handicap. Half mile, for all *bona fide* Polo Ponies; name of Rider, who must be a member of the Polo Club, to accompany entry. Entrance \$5. Prizes to the nomination of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd ponies.

9th—THE CHAMPION CUP, presented by the Honourable C. P. CHATER, 1 mile. Open to all China Ponies. Winner of the Farewell Cup 10lbs. extra, winner of Brokers' Cup 7lbs. extra. Entrance \$5, 2nd \$15, 3rd to save stake.

CONDITIONS.

The meeting will be run under The Hongkong Jockey Club rules with the exception of No. 6, which will be as follows:—

All Ponies entered at this meeting need not necessarily be the property of the person entering them, but must be nominated and run by the same person throughout the meeting. All Ponies must be nominated and ridden by the Members of the following Clubs only:—

THE HONGKONG CLUB,
"POLO CLUB,"
"GERMAN CLUB,"
"LUSITANIAN CLUB,"
With the exception of Races Nos. 4, 7, and 9 Jockeys will be required to weigh in only. Only those Ponies that ran or could have run as Polo Ponies and Hackes at the last Hongkong Race Meeting constitute Polo Ponies and Hackes at this Meeting, and are to be passed by the Committee of the Polo Club.

Entries to close on the 5th April at 5 P.M., at Major FLETCHER, R.A., Royal Artillery Mess, College Gardens.

Tickets of Admission to the Grand Stand and Enclosure, \$1.

Members of the Jockey Club and Ladies free.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1890. [478]

Consignees.

CANADIAN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "BATAVIA" FROM VANCOUVER, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND NAGASAKI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Counter-signature, and take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1890. [14]

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES OF Cargo per Steamship "GAELIC."

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

CHAS. D. HARMAN, Agent.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1890. [13]

INTIMATION

F. Blackhead & Co.,

SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAIL-MAKERS, PROVISION MERCHANTS, NAVY CONTRACTORS, AND GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS.

No. 11, Praya Central, (Opposite Pedder's Wharf).

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HARTMANN'S GREY PAINT, specially manufactured for coating the inside of STEEL SHIPS.

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OR GENERAL CLEANING PURPOSES.

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MAX HAASEN'S FRANKFURT ON M. CONSERVED MEATS, VEGETABLES AND FRUIT CEMENT from the celebrated Factory of Hemmoor.

SWEDISH TAR and OREGON PINE LUMBER.

FLERSBURG STOCKBEER, ENGINEERS' AND BLACKSMITHS' MACHINERY AND TOOLS.

EVERY KIND OF SHIP'S STORES AND REQUISITES ALWAYS IN STOCK.

AT REASONABLE PRICES.

ALL KINDS OF COALS SUPPLIED AT THE SHORTEST NOTICE.

Hongkong, 26th June, 1889. [130]

Geo. Fenwick & Co., LIMITED.

VICTORIA FOUNDRY, WANCHAI.

ENGINEERS, IRON and BRASS FOUNDERS, GOVERNMENT & GENERAL CONTRACTORS, &c.

Established 1880.

Hongkong, 20th January, 1890. [195]

A. G. GORDON & CO., LIMITED.

ENGINEERS, LAUNCH BUILDERS, GENERAL AND GOVERNMENT CONTRACTORS, IRONMONGERS, COMMISSION AGENTS, VALUATORS, IRON and TIMBER MERCHANTS.

WORKS: BOWRINGTON, EAST POINT.

OFFICE: 9, PRAYA CENTRAL.

STEAM LAUNCH COMPANY, LIMITED.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1890. [54]

Dr. Knorr's ANTIPYRINE.

(Dose for Adults 15 to 25 grains 4 times.)

IS the most approved and most efficacious remedy in cases of HEADACHE, MIGRAINE, NEURALGIA, RHEUMATISM, FEVER, TYPHUS, ERYSIPELAS, HOOPING COUGH, and many other complaints. It is also the very best Antiseptic. Highly recommended by the medical Faculty. To be had at every reputable Chemist and Druggist. Ask for Dr. KNORR'S ANTIPYRINE! Each Tin bears the inventor's signature "Dr. KNORR."

Supplies constantly on hand at the China Export, Import, and Bank Co.—Sole Agents for China. Beware of spurious imitations!

Hongkong, 29th May, 1889. [144]

Intimations.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the Military Authorities that ARTILLERY PRACTICE will take place from the Works on Stonecutters' Island, during the period 5th to 11th instant, between the hours of 9 A.M. and 2 P.M. daily (Sundays excepted), the line of fire will be in a South Westerly direction from the Works.

All Ships, Junks, and other Vessels are cautioned to keep clear of the range.

By Command, W. M. DEANE, Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 5th March, 1890. [380]

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THE KWONG KWAN YEEN CHALLENGE CUPS, value \$200 and \$100 respectively. Also two Consolation Cups value \$20 each.

The 2nd Stage of the Seventh Competition will take place next SATURDAY, the 29th inst., at 2.15 p.m., commencing at 300 yards. Entrance Fee 30c.

Launch will leave the P. & O. Wharf at 2 O'CLOCK, to take over intending Competitors. CHAS. V. LADDS, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1890. [55]

EAST BORNEO PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, on SATURDAY, the 29th day of March, 1890, at 3.30 P.M., when certain resolutions necessary to carry out the Reconstruction of the Company (passed at the Extraordinary Meeting of Shareholders held on the 13th inst.) will be put to the Meeting for confirmation at Special Resolutions. Copies of these resolutions have been forwarded to the Registered Shareholders in the Company, and unregistered holders of shares can obtain copies on application at the Office of Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

By Order of the Board of Directors, CHAS. F. HARTON, Secretary.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1890. [430]

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that by the Articles of Association the Fourth (LAST) INSTALLMENT of \$10 (Ten Dollars) per Share (on Shares not fully paid) is due on the 31st of March, 1890. This instalment will be received at the Registered Office of the above Company, No. 62, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong. Interest at the rate of 12 per cent. Annun will be charged on Unpaid instalments.

C. EWENS, General Manager.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1890. [433]

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1889.

CONTRIBUTORS to the above Office are requested to furnish the Undersigned with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December, 1889, in order that the Distribution of Bonus may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st day of March instant, will be adjusted by the Office, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE MATHESON & Co., General Agents.

Canton Insurance Office, Limited.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1890. [357]

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ADJOURNED GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will take place at the Hongkong Hotel, on FRIDAY, the 28th instant, at 4 P.M.

C. EWENS, General Manager.

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1890. [470]

SONGEL KOYAH PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given to Holders of Shares in the above Company bearing the following Nos.

2456/2450
166/190
268/315
1051/1075
1276/1285
1306/1420
2031/2030
2205/2215
2351/2355
2381/2405

on which the FIRST CALL of \$15 per Share due 16th August, 1889 is still unpaid, that unless the said call, with interest at the rate of 12 % per Annun from 16th August, 1889, be paid on or before the 15th of April next, the Shares will be dealt with by the Consulting Committee and General Managers in accordance with their powers.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1890. [460]

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION

EIGHT BUILDING LOTS AND VALUABLE HOUSE PROPERTY, AT YAU-MA-TI.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 29th March, 1890, at 4 P.M., on the Spot, KOWLOON INLAND LOT No. 558 of 750 square feet situated on the Praya, East of the Police Station.

The Lot will be sold under the same contract as it has been sold by the Government on the 15th September, 1888.

Also, SEVEN KOWLOON INLAND LOTS Nos. 124 to 130 of 750 square feet each situated on Reclamation Street, Crown Rent Ten Dollars each these Lots will be sold under the same contract as they have been sold by the Government on the 19th November, 1888.

Also, SECTION D, & E, and the Remaining Portion of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 107, with one Chinese Dwelling House erected thereon, situated in Temple Street, at the back of the Market, and measuring North 50 feet, South 50 feet, East 50 feet 6 inches, West 46 feet.

Conditions of Sale—Twenty-five per cent. of the Purchase money to be paid immediately after the Sale, and the Balance on completion of Transfer, all expenses of transfer to be paid by Purchasers.

The Property to be at Purchaser's risk, with all faults and errors of description, on the fall of the hammer.

A Steam Launch will leave Pedder's Wharf on the day of the Sale at 3.30 P.M.

For further Particulars, apply to F. RAPP, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1890. [463]

PUBLIC AUCTION

OF RACING STUD.

THE SHANGHAI HORSE BAZAAR COMPANY, LIMITED, have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY,

the 27th and 28th April, Mr. SID'S STABLE, consisting of:—

The following well-known RACE PONIES:—"ENTERTAINER," winner of the Hongkong Derby, 1890.

"ENTICER," winner of the Canton Cup and Scurry Stakes, Hongkong Meeting, 1890.

"SUSEWIND" well-known Race Pony.

"GRIDIRON"

"WALDO"

"ALI-BABA" (late Thunichgut), winner of the Lusitano Cup in Hongkong, and other Races in Shanghai and Tientsin.

"SONNENSTRAHL" winner of Several Races and many Champions in Tientsin.

"BLAZER," winner of Hongkong Ladies' Purse and Several Races in Tientsin.

"MYTH," winner of Several Races in Tientsin.

"GANGES" winner of the Spring Cup, Shanghai, 1888.

"ERZHERZOG," winner of Several Races in Tientsin.

and SEVERAL TIMED GRIFFINS.

Shanghai Horse Bazaar, 25th March, 1890. [470]

To be Let.

TO LET.

HOUSES No. 1 and 2, "KIMBERLEY VILLAS" at Kowloon, from 1st February, 1890.

and HOUSE No. 4, "VICTORIA VIEW" Kowloon Point, from 1st February, 1890.

Apply to A. F. ALVES.

Hongkong, 24th January, 1890. [180]

TO LET.

FIRST FLOOR of HOUSE, 15, Praya Central.

2ND FLOOR of HOUSE, No. 64, Queen's Road Central.

Apply to LAI HING & Co., No. 153, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1890. [469]

TO LET.

NO. 25, ELGIN ROAD, behind the Old Union Church.

Apply to ACHEE & Co., 17, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1890. [386]

TO LET.

FROM the 1st March, ROOMS suitable for OFFICES on the first floor of the PREMISES in Pedder's Street at present occupied by Caldecott, MacGregor & Co.

Apply to CRUICKSHANK & Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 20th February, 1890. [196]

TO LET.

POSSESSION from 1st April next.

HOUSE No. 16, ELGIN STREET.

Apply to L. KIRCHMANN, No. 4, Ladder Street Terrace.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1890. [353]

TO LET.

FROM 1st February next, Nos. 53, 55, & 57, PEEL STREET.

Apply to EDWARD GEORGE.

Hongkong, 9th January, 1890. [110]

TO LET, AT THE PEAK.

DUNNOTTAR, R. B. Lot No. 20, for 1 year, from 15th April, 1890.

Apply to B. c/o Hongkong Telegraph Office.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1890. [237]

TO LET.

NO. 4, BELILIOS TERRACE. Possession may be taken on 1st April, Rent \$45.

Apply to T. c

Commercial.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—192 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$100 per share, sellers.
 China Traders' Insurance Company—\$70 per share, sellers.
 North China Insurance—Tls. 350 per share, buyers.
 Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$125 per share, sellers.
 Yangtze Insurance Association—Tls. 96 per share, sellers.
 On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$360 per share, sellers.
 China Fire Insurance Company—\$84 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—\$52 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$33 per share, sellers.
 China and Manila Steam Ship Company—107 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Gas Company—\$135 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Hotel Company—\$185 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per cent. Debentures—\$501.
 Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—25 per cent. dis., buyers.
 Douglas Steamship Company—\$60 per share, sellers.
 China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$213 per share, buyers.
 Luron Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$70 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong Ice Company—\$102 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$80 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$14 per share, sellers.
 A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$21 per share, buyers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B—21 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C—5 per cent. premium, buyers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 E—11 per cent. premium, buyers.
 Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$100 per share, sellers.
 The Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.—\$25 per share, sellers.
 Panjion and Sanglee Dua Samantan Mining Co.—\$148 per share, buyers.
 The Balmoral Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$13 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—\$88 per share, sellers.
 Tonquin Coal Mining Co.—\$20 per share, buyers.
 The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—40 per cent. prem., sellers.
 The East Borneo Planting Co., Limited—\$28 per share, sellers.
 The Seng Lee Koyah Planting Co., Ltd.—\$24 per share, buyers.
 Cruickshank & Co., Ltd.—\$40 per share, nom.
 The Steam Launch Co., Limited—nominal.
 The Austen Arms Hotel and Building Co., Ltd.—par., nominal.
 The China-Borneo Co., Ltd.—\$38 per share, sellers.
 The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Ltd.—\$18 per share, sellers.
 The Green Island Cement Co. (Old Issue)—\$43 per share, nominal.
 The Green Island Cement Co. (New Issue)—\$3 per share, nominal.
 The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Ltd.—\$951 per share, buyers.
 The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Ltd.—\$8 per share, nominal.
 Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited—\$25 per share, buyers.
 The West Point Buildings Co., Ltd.—\$45 per share, buyers.
 The Peak Hotel and Trading Co., Ltd.—\$20 per share, sellers.
 The Labuk Planting Co., Ltd.—\$18 per share, nominal.
 The Jelebu Mining and Trading Co., Ltd.—\$5 per share, buyers.
 The Selama Tin Mining Co., Ltd.—\$3 per share, sellers.
 The Shamcen Hotel Co., Ltd.—\$5 per share, nominal.
 The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Ltd.—\$16 per share, sellers.
 The Hongkong Marine, Limited—par., premium, nominal.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—Bank, T. T. 3/01
 Bank Bills, on demand 3/01
 Bank Bills, at 30 days sight 3/11
 Bank Bills, at 4 months sight 3/11
 Credits at 4 months sight 3/11
 Documentary Bills, at 4 months sight 3/11
 ON PARIS.—
 Bank Bills, on demand 3/87
 Credits, at 4 months sight 3/07
 On India, T. T. 2/17
 On Demand 2/19
 ON SHANGHAI.—
 Bank, T. T. 721
 Private, 30 days sight 721

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

PHRA CHULA CHOM KLAO, British steamer, 1,011, A. Benson, 15th March, Bangkok 14th March, and Koh-si-chang 18th, Rice and General.—Yuen Fat Hong.
 FUSHIKI MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,110, P. J. C. Francis, 25th March, Nagasaki 21st March, Coals.—Mitsui Bishi Colliery.
 NAMOA, British steamer, 863, T. G. Pocock, 26th March, Foochow 23rd March, Amoy 24th, and Swatow 25th, General.—D. LaPrak & Co.
 TAIKANG, British steamer, 1,505, W. H. Jackson, 26th March, Shanghai 22nd March, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 KWANLOE, Chinese steamer, 1,508, R. Lincoln, 26th March, Shanghai 22nd March, and Swatow 25th, General.—C. M. S. N. Co.
 THIBET, British steamer, 1,665, W. L. Brown, R.N.R., 26th March, Yokohama 11th March, and Amoy 25th, Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
 JAPAN, British steamer, 1,865, T. S. Gardner, 26th March, Calcutta 10th March, Penang 16th, and Singapore 19th, Opium and General.—D. S. Jackson, Sons & Co.
 SUNKIANG, British steamer, 991, C. B. Dodd, 26th March, Whampoa 26th March, General.—Butterfield & Swire.
 CHI-YUEN, Chinese steamer, 1,211, C. R. Null, 26th March, Penang 14th March, and Singapore 19th, General.—C. M. S. N. Co.
 G. H. WAPPAUS, British bark, 531, P. Hanson, 26th March, Sandakan 26th Feb., Sandwood, Gibb, Livingston & Co.
 CANTON, British steamer, 1,110, J. J. Hogg, 26th March, Whampoa 26th March, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 FALKENBERG, German steamer, 1,081, J. Bartels, 26th March, Saigon 21st March, Rice.—Melchers & Co.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Diamond, British steamer, for Amoy, &c. Holywood, British steamer, for Chiofo. Thales, British steamer, for Swatow, &c. Moray, British steamer, for Saigon.

DEPARTURES.

March 26, Conqueror, American ship, for San Francisco.
 March 26, Peking, British str., for Singapore, &c.
 March 26, Anshu, British str., for Amoy, &c.
 March 26, Nizam, British str., for Nagasaki, &c.
 March 26, Nizam, British str., for Amoy, &c.
 March 26, Taita, German steamer, for Saigon.

PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.

Per Phra Chula Chom Kiao, str., from Bangkok.—40 Chinese.
 Per Namoa, str., from Foochow, &c.—Dr. Underwood, Messrs. Anderson, Forrest, and 50 Chinese.
 Per Taita, str., from Shanghai.—60 Chinese.

PASSENGERS—DEPARTED.

Per Thibet, str., from Yokohama, &c.—32 Chinese.
 Per Kwanlo, str., from Shanghai, &c.—38 Chinese.
 Per Yogan, str., from Calcutta, &c.—Mrs. T. S. Gardner, Mrs. Bell, Lieut. Percival, Messrs. Nimus, Trigor, Alves, S. G. Apar, J. W. Price, Royds, and 450 Chinese.
 Per Chiyuen, str., from Penang, &c.—2 Europeans and 270 Chinese.

Per City of Rio de Janeiro, str., for Yokohama.—Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Tones and servant, Mr. and Mrs. Suzuki, child and 2 servants, and 1 Chinese. For San Francisco.—Mrs. Putman and child, and Mr. Shoemaker. For Liverpool.—Mr. and Mrs. Morse, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, Miss Farrer, and Mr. A. H. Flint. For London.—Miss Smece, Miss Hickson, Miss Bates, Messrs. Geo. Waghorn and P. H. Tripp.
 Per Peking, str., from Hongkong for Singapore.—Messrs. Biglan, W. G. Rodie, R. Ritchie, L. Forrester, For Bombay.—Mr. J. H. Hopkins. For Colombo.—Mr. C. R. Jordan. For London.—Mr. A. Marshall. For Marcelline.—Mr. L. M. Fair. From Shanghai for Venice.—Mrs. A. Deane Cooper, and Miss Barney. For Brindisi.—Messrs. R. Wilson and C. W. Dyce. For London.—Mr. and Mrs. Allen, 3 children and 2 amahs, Mrs. Carles, infant and amah, and Mr. L. Webster. From Yokohama.—Mr. R. H. Wright.
 Per Diamante, str., from Amoy, &c.—15 Europeans and 150 Chinese.
 Per Moray, str., for Saigon.—100 Chinese.
 Per Thales, str., for Swatow, &c.—3 Europeans and 250 Chinese.

REPORTS.

The British steamship Taita reports that she left Shanghai on the 22nd instant. Had strong north-east winds and high sea.
 The Chinese steamship Chiyuen reports that she left Penang on the 14th instant, and Singapore on the 19th. Had moderate to fresh north-east and northerly winds with head sea throughout the passage.
 The British steamship Japan reports that she left Calcutta on the 9th instant, Penang on the 16th, and Singapore on the 19th. After leaving Singapore experienced fine weather up to late A.M.; thence had fresh northerly winds and thick cloudy weather. Detained outside on account of fog.
 The Japanese steamship Fushiki Maru reports that she left Nagasaki on the 21st instant. Had dull and cloudy weather with rain to Turnabout; thence had fresh north-east winds and cloudy weather down the coast. Passed a barque, off Single Island, bound south.
 The British steamship Phra Chula Chom Kiao reports that she left Bangkok on the 14th instant, and Koh-si-chang on the 18th. Had strong south-east winds with high head sea down the Gulf of Siam; thence to Cape Varella had strong north-east monsoon with head sea; and thence to Paracels had calm and light easterly winds and smooth sea; thence to port had strong monsoon and high head sea.
 The Chinese steamship Kwanlo reports that she left Shanghai on the 22nd instant. On leaving Shanghai had fresh easterly winds and thick rainy weather, when off Chinsang, got into a dense fog and anchored for 6 hours. From Steep Island to Swatow had thick weather and rain; arrived at Swatow at 9.20 a.m., and left again at 4.30 p.m. on the 25th. Had strong east-north-east winds and dull cloudy weather to arrival.
 The British steamship Namoa reports that she left Foochow on the 23rd instant. Experienced moderate southerly winds as far as Ocksen; thence to Amoy had fresh north-east winds with thick rainy weather. Left Amoy on the 24th, and Swatow on the 25th. From Amoy to Swatow had strong north-east winds with cloudy weather, and from Swatow to port had fresh east-north-east winds with overcast weather. In Amoy, the steamships Hokow, Hai-long, and Yohann. In Swatow, the steamships Chew-chew-foo, Pakshan, and Cheung Chew.

Post Office.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE.

For Saigon.—Per Avonch to-morrow, the 27th instant, at 11.30 A.M.
 For Swatow and Shanghai.—Per Canton to-morrow, the 27th instant, at 11.30 A.M.

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.

ANCONA, British steamer, 1,888, W. D. Mudie, 24th March, Yokohama 16th March, Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
 APENRADE, German steamer, 1,476, F. Hohlmann, 23rd March, Bangkok 17th March, Rice.—Geo. R. Stevens & Co.
 AVOCHE, British steamer, 1,055, T. Rowin, 24th March, Bangkok 16th March, Rice.—Morris & Co.
 BATAVIA, British steamer, 2,553, Williams, 22nd March, Vancouver, and Yokohama 10th March, General.—Adamson, Bell & Co.
 CHINGTU, British steamer, 1,459, A. Hunt, 21st March, Shanghai 16th March, and Swatow 20th, General.—Butterfield & Swire.
 DON JUAN, Spanish steamer, 654, J. Marquez, 10th Feb., Manila 7th Feb., General.—Brundage & Co.
 EUPHRATES, British steamer, 1,209, J. Edwards, 24th March, Saigon 18th March, Rice and General.—Russell & Co.
 FAME, British steamer, 1,17, W. W. Allan, Hongkong Government tender.
 FORMOSA, British steamer, 674, T. Hall, 23rd March, Tamsui, via Amoy and Swatow 22nd March, General.—D. LaPrak & Co.
 GARCIL, British steamer, 4,209, W. G. Pearme, 23rd March, San Francisco 27th Feb., and Yokohama 18th March, Mails and General.—O. & O. S. N. Co.
 GLENVIEW, British steamer, 2,444, General, 22nd March, New York 24th Jan., and Singapore 16th March, Petroleum and General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 KIANG-KWAN, Chinese steamer, 1,020, Knights, 12th March, Shanghai 8th March, Ballast.—C. M. S. N. Co.
 KONG BING, British steamer, 861, R. Jones, 19th March, Bangkok 11th March, General.—Yuen Fat Hong.

HONGKONG—STEAMERS.

Continued.
 HOLYWOOD, British steamer, 1,777, P. Rettle, 22nd March, London 25th Jan., General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 MORAY, British steamer, 1,411, Wm. S. Duncan, 21st March, Saigon 17th March, Rice and Paddy.—Adamson, Bell & Co.
 NIKERSTEN, German steamer, 732, H. Frerich, 23rd March, Amoy 22nd March, General.—Melchers & Co.
 NINGPO, German steamer, 762, R. Koehler, 25th March, Whampoa 25th March, General.—Siemssen & Co.
 PHU-QUOC, French steamer, 183, Vallin, 25th Sept., Touron 20th Sept., Coals.—Wing Tal & Co.
 PILOT FISH, British steamer, 161, A. Stapani, Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.
 THALES, British steamer, 820, W. W. Hunter, 25th March, Taiwan 21st March, Amoy 22nd, and Swatow 24th, General.—D. LaPrak & Co.

SAILING VESSELS.

EMK, British bark, 774, Summers, 2nd March, London 6th November, General.—Order.
 ERICKSON, Chinese bark, 457, Opium Examination hulk, Stonecutters' Island.—Chinese Customs.
 G. M. STANWOOD, American bark, 522, Foster, 8th March, Newcastle, N.S.W., 4th Jan., Coal.—Butterfield & Swire.
 HANS, German schooner, 120, G. A. Hansen, 2nd Dec., Matsuy 25th Sept., General.—Blackburn & Co.
 SIN KOLA, British bark, 542, A. Vensen, 19th March, Sandakan 7th February, Hard Wood.—Order.
 PALAGANIA, British bark, 1,199, Wm. Tubber, 8th March, New York 4th Nov., Kerosene Oil.—Russell & Co.
 P. N. BLANCHARD, American ship, 1,503, N. W. Blanchard, 3rd Feb., Higo 29th January, Coal.—Order.
 SUMATRA, British bark, 740, John Rea, 16th Jan., Gorontalo 17th Dec., Ebony and Batang.—Ed. Schellhase & Co.
 TAIKANG, British ship, 1,174, Fraser, 18th March, New York 7th Nov., Kerosene Oil.—Order.
 WM. LE LACHEUR, British bark, 573, E. W. Warner, 18th March, Rajang (Borneo) 8th Feb., Timber and Firewood.—Wielor & Co.
 W. H. LINCOLN, American ship, 1,675, M. J. Daly, 12th Jan., Yokohama 27th Dec., Kerosene Oil.—Russell & Co.

Intimations.

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 8 to 10 A.M. every quarter of an hour.
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 Special Cars may be obtained on application to the Superintendent.
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 MACLEWEN, FRICKEL & Co., General Managers.
 Hongkong, 1st November, 1889. [510]

NOTICE.

THOMAS KERR & CO.
 ENGINEERS, BOILER-MAKERS AND CONTRACTORS.
 YAU-MA-TI ENGINEERING WORKS, Kowloon.
 Hongkong, 6th June, 1889. [26]

NOTICE.

P. C. FULLERT,
 LICENSED INLAND SEA PILOT,
 NAGASAKI.
 Will meet ships off.
 IWOSIMA OR OKUREN.
 Telegraphic address: FULLERT, Nagasaki.
 15th November, 1889. [29]

NOTICE.

JEY'S SANITARY COMPOUNDS COMPANY, LIMITED.
 JEY'S WOOD PRESERVER OR ANTISEPTIC PAINT.

THE Undersigned have this day been appointed SOLE AGENTS for the sale of these PERFECT DISINFECTANTS, and are prepared to supply quantities to suit purchasers, at Wholesale Prices, Extra Special terms for Shippers and large Orders.
 5th ROYAL RAILWAY, C.B. & Co., Chief Sanitary Engineer, Local Government Board London, says
 "It is the best Disinfectant in use."
 W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co., Bank Buildings.
 Hongkong, 10th June, 1889. [12]

HONGKONG TIMBER YARD, WANCHAI.

REGION PINE SPARS AND LUMBER Always on Hand. L. MALLORY.
 Hongkong 24th June 1887. [73]

SCOTT'S EMULSION

OF PURE COD LIVER OIL With Hypophosphites of Lime & Soda.

PALATABLE AS MILK.

The only preparation of COD LIVER OIL that can be taken readily and tolerated for a long time.
 As a REMEDY FOR CONSUMPTION, BRONCHITIS, CHRONIC CATARRHS, ANEMIA, GENERAL DEBILITY, COUGHS, AND ALL AFFECTIONS OF THE LUNGS, AND ALL AFFECTIONS OF CHILDREN.
 It is the most powerful and most effective of all remedies for the above diseases.
 Sold by ALL CHEMISTS, and by the Proprietors, Messrs. A. S. WATSON & Co. (Limited), Hongkong, 30th December, 1889.

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, & TAIWANFOO. THE Company's Steamship

"THALES." Captain Hunter, will be despatched for the above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 27th instant, at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS, LAFAIR & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1890. [475]

STEAM TO STRAITS AND BOMBAY. (Calling at Colombo if sufficient inducement offers).

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"THIBET." Captain W. L. Brown, will leave for the above places, on FRIDAY, the 28th instant, at 4 P.M.

E. L. WOODIN, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1890. [451]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. THE Company's Steamship

"CHINGTU." Hunt, Commander, will be despatched as above on SUNDAY, the 30th instant, at DAYLIGHT.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First Class Saloon and Cabins are situated forward of the engines. Second Class Passengers are berthed in the Poop. A Refrigerating chamber ensures the supply of fresh provisions during the entire voyage. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1890. [384]

THE CHINA SHIPPERS' MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON. THE Company's Steamship

"NINGCHOW." Wm. Durdin, Commander, will be despatched for the above Port, on or about the 6th prox.

For Freight, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1890. [403]

SAILING VESSELS.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. THE 3/3 L. I. American Ship

"WILLIAM H. MACY." Amahy, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, 12th March, 1890. [415]

FOR NEW YORK. THE 3/3 L. I. British Ship

"JOSEPH H. SCAMMELL." Thomson, Master, shortly expected, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1890. [474]

Mails.

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

"CHINA." will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on THURSDAY, the 17th April, at 1 P.M., the Company's Steamship

Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports to San Francisco, and Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

First-class Fares granted as follows:—To San Francisco.....\$225.00 To San Francisco and return.....393.75 available for 6 months.....

To Liverpool.....325.00 To London.....350.00 To other European Ports at proportionate rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service, and the Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on application.

Passengers by this line have the option of proceeding Overland by the Southern Pacific and Connecting Lines, Central Pacific, Northern Pacific or Canadian Pacific Railways.

Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

Parcel Packages should be marked to add in full value of same, is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Ports beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information, as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 50A, Queen's Road Central, C. D. HARMAN, Agent.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1890. [15]

Mails.

CANADIAN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, CANADA, THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE.

THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY AND OTHER CONNECTING RAILWAY LINES & STEAMERS.

THE British Steamship

"BATAVIA." 1,553 Tons. Register, Captain Williamson, will be despatched for VANCOUVER, B.C., via INLAND SEA, KOBE and YOKOHAMA, on THURSDAY, the 3rd April, at NOON.

To be followed by the S.S. "ABYSSINIA" on the 24th April and S.S. "PARTHIA" on the 15th May.

Connection will be made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports, and at Vancouver with Pacific Coast Ports, by the regular Steamers of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company and other Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

First-class Fares granted as follows:—To Vancouver and Victoria.....\$210.00 To Montreal, New York, &c.....290.00 To Liverpool.....325.00 To London.....350.00 To other European Ports at proportionate rates.

Special reduced rates granted to Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service, and the Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on application.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Ports in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to Mr. D. E. BROWN, District Freight Agent, Vancouver, B.C.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. on the 2nd and 4th April.

All Parcels must be sent to our Office and should be marked to address in full, and the same will be received by us until 5 P.M. the day previous to sailing.

For information as to Passage or Freight, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1890. [14]

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE.

VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

THE Steamship

"GAELIC." will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on SATURDAY, the 5th April, at 1 P.M.

Connection will be made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and the same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

First-class Fares granted as follows:—To San Francisco.....\$225.00 To San Francisco and return.....393.75 available for 6 months.....

To Liverpool.....325.00 To London.....350.00 To other European Ports at proportionate rates.

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Hongkong, 13th March, 1890. [9]

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